

2016

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
Town Offices



Of the
Town of Egremont
Berkshire County, Massachusetts

For the Fiscal Year 2016

Pictured on the cover:

On December 22, 2015 the Town of Egremont received \$138,570 from the
Mass Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs
for Egremont's Green Communities Designation grant.

Accepting the grant for the Town were Town Officials

Marj Wexler, Mary Brazie, Juliette Haas, Susan Bachelder, Charles Flynn and Bruce Turner

Town Officials were joined by

DOER Commissioner Judith Judson, Senator Ben Downing, Representative "Smitty" Pignatelli
and DOER, Director Green Communities Division Daniel Knapik

FACTS ABOUT EGREMONT

INCORPORATED.....1775

LOCATION.....Southwestern corner of Mass.

POPULATION.....1045

LEGAL VOTERS.....1026

FORM OF GOVERNMENT.....Town Meeting

TAX RATE FY 2017.....\$9.20

PUBLIC SCHOOL.....Southern Berkshire Regional

LIBRARY.....Egremont Free Library

POLICE **911** or.....528-2160
Tyler Race, Chief

FIRE PROTECTION **911** or.....528-1625
William Turner, Chief
James Olmsted, Assistant
Joseph Schneider, Assistant

AMBULANCE SERVICE **911** or.....528-3900
Southern Berkshire Volunteer

STATE POLICE.....1(413)243-0600

EMERGENCIES.....**911**

TOWN OFFICES.....528-0182
171 Egremont Plain Road
Monday-Friday 7:00am - 3:00pm

TOWN ROADS.....42.19 miles

TOTAL AREA.....18.91 miles

TOTAL ACREAGE.....12,039.79

APPROXIMATE ELEVATION.....800 feet - town center

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DATE.....First Tuesday of May
May 2, 2017

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION DATE.....Second Tuesday of May
May 9, 2017

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Governor
Charles Baker

Lt. Governor
Karyn Polito

United States Senators
Elizabeth Warren
Edward Markey

United States Representative
Richard Neal
First Congressional District

State Senator
Benjamin B. Downing
Berkshire Senatorial District

State Representative
William "Smitty" Pignatelli, Lee
4th Berkshire Representative District

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS
FISCAL YEAR 2017

ELECTED:

ASSESSORS:

Susan Turner	2019
Robin Goldberg	2017
Florence Browner	2018

AUDITOR:

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS:

David Campbell	2017
Herman Trudeau Jr.	2019
Henry Granger	2018

CONSTABLE:

James Olmsted	2017
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LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Francine Groener	2019
Margaret Muskrat	2018
Keila Sheldon	2017

MODERATOR:

Tom Gage	2017
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PLANNING BOARD:

Lucinda Vermuelen	2019
Helen Krancer	2021
Don Pulfer	2018
Gregory Cherin	2020
Mark Holmes	2017
Associate member: Marj Wexler	2018

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Marcella Bush	
Charles Flynn	2017

SELECTBOARD:

Charles Flynn	2017
Bruce Turner	2019
Mary Brazie	2018

TOWN CLERK:

Juliette Haas	2017
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TREE WARDEN:

James Olmsted	2017
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WATER COMMISSION:

Ray Palmucci	2017
Gerard "Poly" Lanoue	2018

APPOINTED:

A.D.A. COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Bruce Turner Inspector of Buildings
Nick Ball

ACCOUNTING OFFICER:

Paul Lisi
Mary Brazie, Assistant

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION:

Andre Vankov 2017
Carla Turner 2018
Peter Maggio 2017
Jennifer Brown 2018
Elizabeth Keene 2019

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER:

John Springstube 2017

DEPUTIES: Bonnie Bassis
James Olmsted

APPEALS, BOARD OF:

James Lamme 2019
Elliott Snyder, Chair 2018
Elliott Krancer 2017
Alternates: William H. Wood 2017

ASSESSORS CLERK:

Will Brinker

BERKSHIRE COUNTY REG'L PLANNING COMMISSION:

Gregory Cherin, Representative 2017
Charles P. Ogden, Alternate

BERKSHIRE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

Bruce Bernstein 2017
Charles Flynn, Chairman Board of Selectmen 2017

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS SUPERINTENDENT:

Thomas Reynolds

BUILDING & GROUNDS LABORER:

Scott Fountain

BUILDING INSPECTOR:

Ned Baldwin 2019

Alternate: Bengt Granskog

BURIAL AGENT:

Juiette Haas 2017

COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE

Charles Flynn
James Noe
Lucinda Vermeulen
Juliette Haas
Susan Bachedler
Mary Brazie
Jared Kelly

COMPACTOR OPERATOR:

William T. Wood 2019
Alternates: Highway Department & Scott Fountain

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Alina Hsu 2018
Bill Tynan, 2017
2017

Benjamin Barrett	2017
Theodore Rubsamen	2018
<u>COUNCIL ON AGING:</u>	
Rachel Shaw, Associate	2017
Bruce Bernstein	
Georgette Kinney	
Bonnie Lewis	
Helen Krancer	
Chet Delaney	
Eve Goldberg	
Margaret Muskrat	
<u>DRAFT HYDRANT COMMITTEE:</u>	2017
Chet Delaney	
Tom Sierau	
Bob Warner	
<u>E-911 COORDINATORS:</u>	
Vince Murphy	2017
Mary Brazie, deputy	
<u>EGREMONT-ALFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL:</u>	
Robin Goldberg	
Ellen Shaby	
Genis Melendez-Delaney	
Margaret Muskrat	
Bonnie Oloff	
Hilda Levine	
Joan Kelly-Alford	
Sue Arkan-Alford	
Sue Weintraab-Alford	
LouAnn Harvey	
Hilary Penglase	
<u>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR:</u>	
Edward McCormick	2017
Assistant William Brinker	
<u>FENCE VIEWERS:</u>	
Kevin Wheeler	2017
<u>FIELD DRIVER:</u>	
David Sheldon	2017
<u>FINANCE COMMITTEE:</u>	
Laura Allen	2019
Eric Swanson	2017
Ed "Rocky" Scarbro	2018
Ralph Noveck	2017
Michael Bandzierz	2019
Thomas Berkel	2018
<u>FIRE CHIEF:</u>	
William Turner	2017
Jim Olmsted, Assistant #1	
Joseph Schneider, Assistant #2	
<u>FOREST WARDEN:</u>	
William Turner	2017
<u>FRENCH PARK COMMITTEE:</u>	2017
Charles Flynn, Trustee	
Bruce Turner, Trustee	
Mary Brazie, Trustee	

Jennifer Brown	
Hilary Penglase	
Zoe Hersh	
Melody Lamb	
<u>GAS INSPECTOR:</u>	
Robert Gennari	
<u>GREEN COMMITTEE:</u>	2017
Juliette Haas	
Robin Goldberg	
Marj Wexler	
Susan Bachelder	
Richard Allen	
Pat Konecky	
<u>HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR:</u>	
Edward McCormick	2017
<u>HEALTH, BOARD OF:</u>	
Nancy DuVall	2017
Charles Ogden	2018
William Rose	2017
Alternate & Agent Sandra Martin	2017
Director: Juliette Haas	2019
<u>HIGHWAY PERSONNEL:</u>	2019
Donald Peck	
Richard LaRose	
Josh Labshere	
<u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</u>	
J. Nicoll Cooper	2017
William Wood	2018
Susan Bachelder	2017
Elliott Snyder	2019
Margaret Cherin	2018
Rebecca Turner	2019
Gregg Siter	2017
<u>INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS:</u>	
John Springstube - Domestic & Livestock	2017
<u>LIBRARIAN:</u>	
Lesliann Furcht	
<u>MASSACHUSETTS BROADBAND INSTITUTE:</u>	
Jeff Lazarus, Liason	
<u>MUNICIPAL COORDINATORS:</u>	
Edward McCormick	2017
<u>OPEN SPACE & RECREATION BYLAW COMMITTEE</u>	
Charles Flynn	
Helen Krancer	
Karen Berger	
Tom Gilbert	
Tom Berkel	
<u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR:</u>	
Robert Krupski	2017
Alternate: Bob Gennari	
<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</u>	
Police Chief: Tyler Race	
Full-time Patrol Officer: Hans Carlson	2019
Kyle Kemp	

Part-time Patrol Officers:	2017
Joseph Pravia	
Matthew Sutton	
Jennifer Brown	
Theodore Crosby	
William Minacci	
Lucas Perry	
Michael Rossie	
Police Administrative Assistant: Margaret Avenia	
<u>POLL WORKERS:</u>	
Juliette Haas, Town Clerk	2017
Marlene Soudant, Warden	
Susan Turner, Warden	
James Olmsted, Constable	
Rosemary Besancon, Barbara Shultis, Lisa Ecklund, Susan Turner,	
Marj Wexler, Gerard Lanoue, Peg Muskrat	
<u>POUND KEEPER:</u>	
John Springstube	2017
Bonnie Basis	
<u>REGISTRARS, BOARD OF:</u>	
Juliette Haas, Chair	2017
Jeannie Peck	
Marlene Soudant	
Mary Brazie	
<u>ROAD SUPERINTENDENT:</u>	
James Noe	
<u>SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD:</u>	
William H. Wood	
Alternate: Susan Bachelder	
<u>SELECTMEN'S OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:</u>	
Mary Ann Brazie	
<u>SURVEYORS OF LUMBER:</u>	
Peter Barrett	2017
<u>TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE:</u>	
Charles Flynn	
Eric Swanson	
Jonathan Taylor	
John Wells	
Jeffrey Lazarus	
Marj Wexler	
<u>TOWN COUNSEL:</u>	
Firm of Hannon, Lerner, Cowhig, Scully & Bell	2017
Lead Attorney: Jeremia Pollard	
<u>TOWN HALL OFFICE CLERK:</u>	
William Brinker	
<u>TOWN HISTORIAN:</u>	
William H. Wood	2017
<u>TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR:</u>	
Susan Funk	
<u>VETERANS' AGENT:</u>	
Laurie Hils	2017
<u>WATER COMMISSION:</u>	
Steve Agar	2017

WATER DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK:

William Brinker

WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATOR:

James Olmsted

WIRE INSPECTOR:

Richard Cappadona

2017

Alternate: Robert Clausen

WIRED-WEST ORGANIZING BOARD:

Jonathan Taylor

2017

John Wells

HAPPY 241ST BIRTHDAY EGREMONT!



Saturday August 20, 2016

TOWN OF EGREMONT GENERAL BYLAWS

May 5, 2015

BYLAW 1

Section 1: Attested copies of all Town Meeting Warrants shall be posted by the Town Constable or other person so designated by the Board of Selectmen, in four (4) public places or more, within the Town, for at least fourteen (14) days before the holding of said meeting, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Section 2: The Selectmen shall place in the local newspaper a synopsis of the warrant for any special town meeting at least fourteen (14) days before the date of said meeting and copies of the warrant shall be available to the public at the place of said meeting.

Section 3: Articles in the Warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they stand, unless the meeting shall direct otherwise by majority vote. No article shall be prejudiced by such action.

Section 4: The presence of sixty (60) voters at a Town Meeting for the transaction of business shall constitute a quorum, except for a motion to adjourn, for which no quorum shall be required. The number of persons constituting a quorum may only be altered at an Annual Town Meeting.

Section 5: All motions at a Town Meeting shall be reduced to writing if so requested by the Moderator or any legal voter.

Section 6: Any vote to raise and appropriate money by issuing bonds or notes of the Town except as provided in Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and amendments thereto and any vote concerning a raise in the limit of indebtedness of the Town hereafter taken shall be acted upon at any annual town meeting or special town meeting in the warrant for which such article or articles appear by written secret ballot.

Section 7: All boards and committees shall, within one week after election or appointment, elect a chairperson and secretary, and give notice of such election to the Town Clerk.

Section 8: The Selectmen shall annually, by December 1 after the close of the preceding fiscal year, cause to be distributed among the taxpayers of the Town, a detailed report in print of all money received into and paid out of the Town Treasury during that preceding fiscal year, which report shall be examined and approved by the Auditor before it is printed. The Selectmen shall also publish in said report such information and recommendations as they may deem proper.

Section 9: Per a vote of Town Meeting on May 31, 1973 it was designated that the first Tuesday of May is the date of the Annual Town Meeting and the second Tuesday in May is the date of the Town Election.

BYLAW 2

The Selectmen have the full authority as agents of the town to institute and prosecute suits in the name of the town, and to appear and defend suits brought against it, unless it is otherwise specially ordered by a vote of the town. They may, with the advice of counsel, settle any compromise suits or claims where the settlement shall not call for payment of more than three hundred (\$300.00) dollars.

BYLAW 3

Section 1: All articles in any warrant shall be referred to and considered by the Finance Committee for its recommendations. Said committee shall be constituted as follows: six voters to be appointed by the moderator within seven (7) days after the annual town elections, none of whom shall hold any other town office, two to serve for a term of one year, two to serve for a term of two years, and two to serve for a term of three years, or until their successors are chosen. Successors shall be chosen by a majority vote of a committee within twenty-one (21) days after the Annual Town Elections. Said committee shall consist of two Selectmen chosen by the Selectmen, two of the remaining members of the Finance Committee, chosen by the Finance Committee, and the Moderator. Said committee shall not contain the same two Selectmen or the same two Finance Committee members in successive years. Chairperson of said committee shall rotate between a Selectman, a Finance Committee member, and the Moderator in successive years. Vacancies shall be filled as soon as possible in the same manner as are successors. Any member appointed to the committee in accordance with the foregoing sentence shall serve for the unexpired portion of the term of the member whom he is replacing.

Section 2: It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to investigate the cost of maintenance of the different departments of the Town, and they shall recommend in detail the amounts to be appropriated for each department for the ensuing year.

Section 3: The committee shall have authority to summon before it for such information and investigation as it shall deem necessary, any of the Town officials and reports, for such examination considered by it necessary to the proper discharge of its duties.

BYLAW 4

Except as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 101, Section 17 and Section 22, no person shall act as a door-to-door hawker, peddler, or transient vendor within the Town of Egremont without having obtained a license for such purposes from the Select Board.

The penalty for violation of this bylaw shall be a fine of \$20.00 for each violation. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation. The enforcing agent shall be the Police Department.

BYLAW 5

Section 1: The Selectmen shall annually within thirty (30) days following the annual election appoint a minimum of five (5) and not more than seven (7) registered voters of the town to serve as a municipal Council of Aging in accordance with the provisions of Section 8B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws.

Section 2: The Council shall organize by choosing from its membership a chairman and clerk of said Council.

Section 3: The Council shall submit an annual report to the town meeting and furnish copies to the State Commission on Aging.

Section 4: The Council may appoint such clerks and other employees as it may require.

Section 5: The Council shall coordinate and carry out programs designed to meet the problems of the aging in cooperation with programs of the State Commission on Aging as established by Section 73 of Chapter 5 of the General Laws.

BYLAW 6

Section 1: No boat propelled by an engine of more than ten (10) horsepower shall be operated on Prospect Lake in said Town.

Section 2: A Harbor Master, to enforce state and local regulations, including the provisions of this Bylaw, is to be appointed annually by the Selectmen as of July 1 each year.

Section 3: Any vessel propelled by internal combustion engine shall not exceed a speed of 10 m.p.h. on the waters of Prospect Lake.

Section 4: No vessel propelled by internal combustion engine shall be operated on Prospect Lake at any time before sunrise nor after sunset, except for emergencies or with written permission of the Harbor Master.

Section 5: Disposal of waste of any type is strictly prohibited by Bylaw and in State law within or upon the waters and waterways of the Town.

Section 6: The fine for each offense shall be \$50.00 payable to the Town of Egremont. Other offenses under M.G.L. Chapter 90B shall be fined, subject to the decision of the Harbor Master, who will enforce the provisions of such Chapter 90B for the Town.

BYLAW 7

The Board of Selectmen shall require all applicants for appointments as full-time Town employees to be appointed on the basis of their qualifications and shall compile a job description for each such appointment.

BYLAW 8

A. Any person owning and keeping an unlicensed dog within the Town shall, under the provisions of Section 141 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws and amendments thereto, be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which fine shall be in addition to the applicable licensing fee as prescribed by law.

B. Any person owning or keeping a dog within the Town in violation of a muzzling and/or restraining order issued by the Board of Selectmen of the Town and in effect at the time under the provisions of Section 167 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws shall be subject to a fine of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for the first offense and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for the second offense.

C. Whenever a complaint is sought in District Court for a second or subsequent violation under the provision of Section 173 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, the fines set forth in Section 173A of said Chapter 140 shall apply.

BYLAW 9

Section 1: Definitions--As used in this by-law, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

1.1 Alarm Systems--Any alarm device, whether police, fire or medical, which automatically emits an audible, visual, or other response upon the occurrence of any hazard or emergency and is intended to alert persons outside the building to the existence of said hazard or emergency, including alarm signals transmitted to privately operated alarm monitoring companies.

1.2 False Emergency Alarm--Any signal actuated by an emergency alarm to which the Police or Fire Department responds which is not the result of fire, holdup, robbery, or other crime emergency.

1.3 Police Emergency Number--Any telephone number designated by the Chief of Police as a telephone number through which members of the public or alarm monitoring company may report an emergency or request public assistance.

Section 2: Dialing Devices--No person shall use, operate or install any alarm system without a permit issued by the Board of Selectmen. Any system installed on or after the effective date of this by-law must comply with this by-law. Pre-existing installations must comply within six (6) months of the effective date of this bylaw.

Section 3: Delay--Upon the activation of a burglary (break-in) alarm there shall be a mandatory delay of at least fifteen seconds before the transmission of a signal/call to enable the user to abort the signal in the event that it was triggered inadvertently. This delay shall not be applicable to a robbery (hold-up), fire or medical emergency alarm.

Section 4: Timing Device--The user of every alarm system shall, at the time such system is installed, or within six (6) months of the effective date of this bylaw in the case of existing systems, install or cause to be installed an automatic timing device which shall deactivate such alarm so that it will be activated for no more than fifteen (15) minutes.

Section 5: Filing requirements

5.1 The user of every alarm system maintained in the town, except those installed in motor vehicles, shall within ten (10) days of installation thereof or within sixty (60) days of the enactment of this bylaw, file the following information with the Selectmen's Office of the Town of Egremont:

5.1a Name, address, and phone number of the property owner.

5.1b Type of alarm system.

5.1c Street address and the nearest cross street of the building which houses the alarm.

5.1d In the case of commercial premises, the name, address, and telephone number of an authorized representative and/or an alternate who will be able to respond when called by Police to deactivate the alarm system, if necessary.

5.1e In the case of a private residence, the name, address, and telephone number of a person who is not a resident of the private residence in question and who will be able to deactivate the alarm system.

Section 6: Permit; Fee; Revocation.

6.1 The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to grant a revocable permit to any owner, lessee or occupant of property located in the town to operate, maintain, install or modify a police or fire alarm device, and no such device shall be operated unless such permit shall have first been issued.

6.2 The Board of Selectmen shall charge an annual fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for the issuance of such permit.

6.3 A permit issued pursuant to this bylaw may be revoked at any time or from time to time by the Board of Selectmen upon giving of ten (10) days' notice in writing, by registered or certified mail, to the permittee, sent to the address shown on the permit. The violation of this bylaw shall constitute grounds for the revocation of the permit.

Section 7: False Alarms--After the issuance of a permit, a fee will be charged for responses to the building/residence for any false alarm, including an alarm malfunction or an accidental alarm, based on a responding officer's determination. When responding to such an alarm, a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be charged for the second response, one hundred (\$100.00) for each subsequent response. After the third response within a twelve-month period, the permit may be revoked by the

Board of Selectmen, and the alarm system disconnected, until the alarm system has been re-certified by a reputable installer of alarms. All such alarm fees will be payable to the Town of Egremont.

Section 8: Disconnection--In the event that an alarm system emitting an audible, visual, or other similar response shall fail to be deactivated within the time limitation specified in Section 4 above, the Town shall have the right to take such action as may be necessary in order to disconnect any such alarm.

Section 9: Penalties for Offenses--Any person operating an alarm system without a permit from the Board of Selectmen violates the provision of this bylaw and shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense. Each subsequent month shall constitute a new violation and an additional fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be assessed to anyone who has not paid the permit fee. If, after six months since the first billing date, the fees and fines remain unpaid, the Town will revoke the alarm permit and take action to have the alarm system disconnected and a new installation application must be made by a certified alarm installer and fees and fines paid before reconnecting the alarm.

BYLAW 10

The town, in order to recycle as much as possible of solid waste generated within the Town, authorizes the Selectmen to enact rules and regulations to require everyone disposing of solid waste at a Town facility to separate recyclable material from their solid waste and to dispose of such recyclable material in designated areas so that it may be recycled.

For the purpose of this bylaw, the term "recyclable" shall mean: glass, paper, and metal, as well as other material the Selectmen may determine can be recycled. The Selectmen may set a fine not to exceed \$100.00 for each violation of this bylaw.

All bylaws, rules, and regulations or other documents inconsistent with the provisions of this bylaw are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

This bylaw and the various parts, sentences, or clauses thereof are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, or clause is adjudged invalid, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this bylaw shall not be affected thereby.

The Selectmen shall have the authority to add, alter or delete items to be separated as markets for recycled goods change.

BYLAW 11

Tag sales and sales of similar nature within the Town of Egremont will be allowed at any location, by permit from the Board of Selectmen. The fee will be set by the Board of Selectmen.

Up to three tag sales at the same location and/or by the same person will be permitted in one calendar year with the fees increased for each successive sale. Permits must be applied for 14 days prior to the sale and shall not be advertised prior to obtaining a permit. Violators of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00.

All posted signs, notices, posters, etc., advertising a tag sale and sales of similar nature must be removed within 24 hours of the closing of said sale. Violators of this Bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$10.00 per day.

BYLAW 12

The Board of Selectmen is authorized to initiate proceedings for the non-criminal disposition of violations of Town By-laws or any rules or regulations of any municipal officials, boards or departments, the violation of which is subject to a special penalty. The procedures set forth in MGL Chapter 40, Section 21D are hereby adopted for said non-criminal disposition of violation.

BYLAW 13

A swimming pool, whether above or below ground, whether public or private, is subject to the following requirements:

A. A pool permit obtained through the Building Inspector shall require that all pools be surrounded by at least a 4-foot-high fence, rigidly held in place, constructed of or faced with (i.e. on the outside) a wire mesh fence having openings no greater than 3" in diameter, with a safety latch on the gate to help prevent accidental drowning. All other types of fencing designed to prevent young children from climbing over or crawling under and/or through may be allowed at the discretion of an with the permission of the Building Inspector.

B. All above ground pools must have detachable ladders and/or platforms, that are removed when pool is not in use. There shall not be any permanent attached access to the pool.

C. All public and semi-public pools shall be regulated by the Mass. State Building Code Article 6, Section 625.0

D. Pre-existing pools must comply within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this bylaw. (February 24, 1992 effective date.)

E. Violators of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00 a day.

BYLAW 14

A. Numbers for each dwelling, each apartment, and each business, and other buildings in the Town of Egremont shall be those assigned

in accordance with the street number survey by the Egremont E 9-1-1 Coordinator.

B. It shall be the responsibility of each property owner in the town to obtain and install the number or numbers assigned to the affected structure or structures within ten (10) working days of the assignment.

C. The owner of the property seeking a building permit for a new building or structure shall apply for and receive such a building number designation or numbers from the 9-1-1 Coordinator as a part of the application to the Building Inspector for a building permit and/or as a part of the application to the Road Superintendent for a driveway permit, and no permit shall be issued without designation of such building number. The numbers must be installed on the property before any construction or construction preparation begins.

D. Reflective numbers shall be placed at the main entrance to the structure; that is, on the road on a suitable support so that they are clearly visible from the street. The size of the numbers to be no less than 3 inches high, and placed no higher than six (6) feet above ground level, and no lower than 3 feet above ground level, and for structures begun after July 1, 2002 no lower than 42 (forty-two) inches above ground level.

E. This Bylaw shall be enforced by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Egremont, either directly

or through an enforcer to be appointed by them. Failure to comply with this Bylaw shall subject the offending property owner to a fine not exceeding ten dollars (\$10.00) per day after proper notification of failure to such owner. All residents shall have 3 months from the date of inception of this bylaw to comply.

BYLAW 15

- A. Prior to construction of a tennis court, written application for a tennis court permit shall be made to the Building Inspector, said application to include the name of the property owner and the location of the proposed tennis court indicated on a plot plan.
- B. The Building Inspector shall, within 30 days of receipt of the aforesaid application, determine whether said proposed tennis court conforms to all applicable regulations and, if so, shall issue a tennis court permit within said 30 days.
- C. No construction of the proposed tennis court shall occur unless a tennis court permit shall have been issued.
- D. Upon issuance of a tennis court permit, the Building Inspector shall simultaneously forward a copy of said permit to the Board of Assessors.
- E. The owner of a tennis court pre-existing the date of acceptance of this Bylaw by the Attorney General of Massachusetts must inform the Assessors of the tennis court's existence within 30 days following said date.
- F. Failure to comply with this Bylaw shall subject the offending violator to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day after proper notification of failure to such violator.
- G. This Bylaw shall be enforced by the Town Building Inspector.

BYLAW 16

A. Definitions;

Tax Collector - The municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterment and other municipal charges.

Licensing Authority - Any department, board, commission or division that issues local licenses or permits of any kind, including renewals and transfers.

Party - Any person, corporation or business enterprise.

B. The Tax Collector shall annually furnish to all municipal Licensing Authorities a list of any parties that have neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterment or other municipal charges for a period of not less than twelve (12) months, provided that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.

C. With the exception of licenses and permits specified in Subsection E of this Bylaw, the Licensing Authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the Licensing Authority from the Tax Collector, and said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party.

Before any such denial, revocation or suspension, however, written notice shall be given to the Party

by certified mail, return receipt requested, and to the Tax Collector, both in accordance with applicable provisions of law, and the Party shall be given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen (14) days after receipt of said notice. For the purposes of this section, said notice shall be deemed received on the return receipt. In the event the Party fails or refuses to accept said written notice and/or the return receipt is unsigned or undated, the notice shall be deemed to have been received on the third business day following the date of mailing, as determined by the postmark or other evidence.

The Tax Collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the License Authority receives a certificate issued by the Tax Collector certifying that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterment or other municipal charges, payable to the Town of Egremont as of the date of issuance of said certificate.

D. Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the Licensing Authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement.

Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

E. The Board of Selectmen, upon written request, may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of Chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

Notice of the public hearing shall be posted on the principal bulletin board in the Town Hall not less than seven (7) days before the hearing and shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation within Egremont once each in two succeeding weeks, with the date of first publication not less than fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing.

F. This Bylaw shall not apply to the following licenses and permits:

1. Open burning (MGL Ch.48, Sect.13)
2. Bicycle permits (MGL Ch.85,Sect.11A)
3. Sales of articles for charitable purposes (MGL Ch.101, Sect.33)
4. Children work permits (MGL Ch.149,Sect.69)
5. Clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses (MGL Ch.140,Sect.21E)
6. Dog licenses (MGL Ch.140,Sect.137)
7. Fishing, hunting, trapping licenses (MGL Ch.131,Sect.12)
8. Marriage licenses (MGL Ch.207, Sect.28)
9. Theatrical events, public exhibition permits (MGL Ch.140, Sect.181)

ACCESS TO PUBLIC WAYS

I. Definitions (for the purpose of this Bylaw only)

Abutting property owner: a person or entity owning property bordering on a way.

Driveway: a driveway, private road, logging road, temporary access for construction, logging or testing, and other privately owned vehicular access to and egress from a way; excluding temporary access when no excavation is performed or fill added.

Public Way: a way laid out by a public agency, or dedicated to public use or laid out for public use or used and maintained as a public way.

Way: any public way which is not subject to G.L. Ch. 81, S. 21 (state curb cut permit).

II. Purposes

A. To provide maximum protection to the public through the orderly control of traffic moving onto and from a way;

B. To provide a uniform practice in the design and construction of entrances and exits;

C. To provide the necessary drainage.

III. Permits

Any abutting property owner desiring to gain access to a way or desiring to alter, change or close an existing driveway shall do so only in accordance with the provisions of a permit issued by the Board of Selectmen.

A. Application

Before beginning construction, the abutting property owner or his duly authorized agent shall make written application, on forms available at the Town Hall, to the Highway Superintendent, including a plan showing:

1. Any driveway that is to be created, altered or closed; and
2. details on drainage.

The application shall contain a description of the proposed construction as far as it encroaches upon or affects the public road or public way and its shoulders, banks, ditches, drainage and other features. The application shall also describe the effect on traffic. A fee of \$50.00 shall be paid to the Town of Egremont when the application is submitted to the Highway Superintendent.

B. Processing of applications by the Highway Superintendent

The Highway Superintendent shall examine the application in order to determine if it conforms to sound design requirements, including those listed in Section V below. He shall make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen within ten (10) days after receipt of the written application, setting forth conditions that he deems reasonable.

C. Action by the Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen shall issue or deny a permit within ten (10) days after receiving a recommendation from the Highway Superintendent. The permit may set forth conditions which the Selectmen deem reasonable. The denial shall give reasons; it may contain suggestions for a revised application.

IV. Design requirements

A. The Highway Superintendent shall consider the requirements of the State DPW Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, but shall modify these to accord with:

1. local conditions;
2. compatibility with local road design; and
3. size of the proposed project.

B. Driveways shall be located to the best advantage with regard to alignments with the way,

profile, sight distance conditions and the like. A leveling area shall be provided at the edge of the way sufficient for safe access on to the way. Unless conditions require it, a driveway should not be located at the extreme edge of a property.

C. No more than two driveways shall normally be allowed for any property unless there is clear necessity for more. Leasing of a portion of the property does not affect this requirement. If a number of establishments will be constructed on one parcel, a service road may be required, to connect with allowable exit and entrance.

D. Driveways shall not normally be approved at intersections, particularly signalized intersections, because of the potential safety hazard which arises when a driver enters a road from a corner driveway and is not faced with a direct signal indication. Access directly into a rotary is also discouraged.

E. Culverts taking the place of roadside ditches shall have a diameter of not less than 15 inches. A larger diameter may be required.

F. The elevation of driveways at the point of entry into the public right of way should be no more than the elevation of the shoulder of the road.

G. Driveways should be so constructed that water from the driveway shall not drain onto the crown of the road.

H. In no instance shall the edge of the driveway entering onto the road conflict with the flow of surface water runoff.

I. Individual driveways should not be less than eight (8) feet nor more than sixteen (16) feet in width within the Town right of way. Any curb at the entrance shall be rounded off with a radius of three (3) feet.

J. Wherever possible, driveways should be pitched downward from the roadway. However, where topography prevents the driveway from being pitched downward in its entirety, the driveway must be constructed on a downgrade from the road surface to the sideline of the Town right of way with a pitch of at least one-quarter inch per foot. From the sideline the driveway may be pitched toward the roadway; however, in no instance shall a driveway have a pitch toward the roadway of greater than one inch (1") per foot, unless adequate provisions have been made and approved by the Highway Superintendent for the diversion of driveway surface runoff away from the roadway. The Highway Superintendent may require methods of diversion for driveways having a pitch of less than one inch (1") per foot if the proposed driveway construction will result in an excess accumulation of surface water in the way.

K. Driveways should be located to the best advantage to alignment with the way, profile, sight distance conditions and the like. In no instance shall the driveway intersect the way at less than a sixty (60) degree angle.

V. Exceptions

No permit shall be required for:

A. driveways already in existence, except for significant alterations; and

B. driveways reviewed by municipal boards under other existing regulations or bylaws.

VI. Continuing responsibility of owners

Abutting property owners shall be responsible for keeping culverts under their driveways cleared and for maintaining driveways in condition conforming to the requirements of the permit and to the intent and spirit of this regulation. Driveways already in existence on the effective date of this regulation shall be maintained by the abutting property owners in their best pre-existing condition.

VII. Waiver

Strict compliance with the requirements of this regulation may be waived by the Board of Selectmen when in the judgment of the Board such action is in the public interest and not in opposition to the intent of the regulation.

VII. Violations

The penalty for violation of this Bylaw shall be a fine of \$300.00 for the first violation. Upon notification the owner shall have 60 days to correct said violation; if not corrected a \$100.00 per day fine will be imposed. The enforcing agent shall be the Zoning Enforcement officer.

BYLAW 18

The Office of the Treasurer/Collector, shall pay all fees received by said officer by virtue of said officer's office to the town treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the Town, as allowed under M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21, Clause 13. (effective 8/29/98)

BYLAW 19

All septic systems which rely on "Tight" tanks must have installed an alarm system which is triggered when the tank is 65% full and a 2nd alarm system which automatically shuts off water supply to the house when the waste water level reaches 90% of the tank's capacity.

BYLAW 20

SELECT BOARD TERMS OF OFFICE: In May, 1999, one member shall be elected for a three year term, one for a two year term, and one for a one year term. Thereafter, beginning with the election in May, 2000, and each year thereafter, each expiring term shall be filled by a three year term.

BYLAW 21 Right-to-Farm

Section 1 Purpose and Intent

The Town of Egremont finds that farming is an essential and valued activity, which provides fresh food, clean air, economic diversity, local employment, and open spaces to all the citizens of our town. This bylaw is intended to encourage the pursuit of agriculture, promote agricultural-based economic and employment opportunities, and protect farmland within the Town of Egremont. The purpose is to allow agricultural uses and related activities to function in harmony with the community, town agencies and others. This bylaw shall apply to all jurisdictional areas within the Town.

This bylaw restates with emphasis the right to farm accorded to all citizens of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as stated under the Constitution and General Laws and Regulations, including but not limited to Article 97, of the Constitution, Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 3, Paragraph 1: (The Zoning Act) Chapter 90, Section 9, Chapter 111, Section 125A and Chapter 128, Section 1A.

Section 2 Definitions

“Farm” shall include any parcel or contiguous parcels of land, or water bodies used for the primary purpose of commercial agriculture, or accessory thereto. “Farm” shall include youth related agricultural activities, such as but not limited to 4-H.

“Farming” or “agriculture” shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- * Farming in all its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the soil
- * Dairying
- * Orchards
- * Production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any agricultural, aquacultural, floricultural, viticultural, or horticultural commodities
- * Growing and harvesting of forest products upon forest land, and any other forestry or lumbering operations
- * Raising of livestock including horses
- * Keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise and
- * Keeping and raising of poultry, sheep, goats, swine, cattle, ratites (such as emus, ostrich and rheas) and camelids (such as llamas and camels), and other domesticated animals for food and other agricultural purposes, including bees and fur-bearing animals

“Farming” shall encompass activities including, but not limited to, the following:

- * Operation and transportation of slow-moving farm equipment over roads within the Town
- * Control of pests, including, but not limited to, insects, weeds, predators and disease organisms of plants and animals
- * Application of manure, fertilizers and pesticides
- * Conducting agriculture-related educational and farm-based recreational activities, including agritourism, provided that the activities are related to marketing the agricultural output or services of the farm
- * Processing and packaging of the agricultural output of the farm and the operation of a farmer’s market or farm stand including signage thereto
- * Maintenance, repair, or storage of seasonal equipment, or apparatus owned or leased by the farm owner or manager used expressly for the purpose of propagation, processing, management, or sale of the agricultural products
- * On-farm relocation of earth and the clearing of ground for farming operations
- * Revitalizing drainage or irrigation ditches, picking stone, erecting, repairing or maintaining fences, and clearing, rejuvenating and maintaining pastures and
- * Herding of livestock from area to area, including along roads

Section 3 Right To Farm Declaration

The Right to Farm is hereby recognized to exist within the Town of Egremont. The above-described agricultural activities may occur on holidays, weekdays, and weekends by night or day and shall include the attendant incidental noise, odors, dust and fumes associated with normally accepted agricultural practices. It is hereby determined that whatever impact may be caused to others through the normal practice of agriculture is more than offset by the benefits of farming to the neighborhood, community, and society in general. The benefits and protections of this By-law are intended to apply exclusively to those agricultural and farming operations and activities conducted in accordance with generally accepted agricultural practices. For any agricultural practice, in determining the reasonableness of the time, place, and methodology of such practice, consideration shall be given

to both traditional customs and procedures, as well as to new practices and innovations. Moreover, nothing in this Right to Farm By-law shall be deemed as acquiring any interest in land. The protections contained in this by-law do not replace any applicable zoning or legal restrictions associated with agricultural operations.

Section 4 Notification to Real Estate Buyers

In order to allow prospective purchasers to make informed decisions prior to a real estate transaction and to promote harmony between farmers and their new neighbors after a transaction, the Town of Egremont requests selling landholders and/or their agents (and assigns) to provide written notice to prospective purchasers substantially as follows:

“It is the policy of the Town of Egremont to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform buyers that the property they are about to acquire lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but are not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. Purchasing, and henceforth occupying land within Egremont means that one should expect and accept such conditions as a normal and necessary aspect of living in Egremont.”

Written notification may occur in one of several ways including but not limited to a disclosure form, addendum to a Purchase and Sale Agreement and should include an acknowledgment by the buyer that they have received notification.

Within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective the Board of Selectmen shall make available for use by selling landowners or their agents (and assigns) copies of example written notifications.

Within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective, The Board of Selectmen shall prominently place in the Town Hall the above disclosure.

Within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective the Tax Collector shall include a copy of the above disclosure with responses to requests for Municipal Lien Certificates.

Section 5 Resolution of Complaints

Any person having a complaint about a farm activity or practice is encouraged to seek an amicable resolution to the complaint, including talking directly with the involved farmer. Such person may, notwithstanding pursuing any other available remedy, request resolution assistance from the Board of Selectmen. Such a request does not suspend the time within which to pursue any other available remedies. The Board of Selectmen may appoint a panel of at least three individuals, to include representation from farmers, or refer such request to an Egremont Agricultural Commission, should one exist. Said panel or Agricultural Commission shall review and facilitate the resolution of such a request, and report its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen within the agreed upon time frame.

Section 6 Severability Clause

If any part of this By-law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this By-law. The Town of Egremont hereby declares the provisions of this By-law to be severable.

Agricultural Commission

There shall be an Agricultural Commission to address agricultural matters and represent agricultural

interests in the Town of Egremont.

The mission of the Egremont Agricultural Commission shall be to:

- * Encourage the pursuit of agriculture in the Town, both as a business and as a community resource
- * Promote the protection and preservation of farms and farmland
- * Promote agricultural-based economic opportunities
- * Articulate agriculture-related planning needs
- * Advise other Town Boards and commissions on activities pertaining to agricultural lands in Town
- * Act as an educator and negotiator in agricultural matters
- * Promote the visibility and vitality of farming in Egremont

The Commission shall consist of five members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. At least three of the members shall be actively engaged in agriculture, and the remainder shall be interested in agriculture. The diversity of agriculture in Egremont shall be recognized in choosing the Commission members. The initial terms for the first members of the Commission shall be three years for two members, two years for two members, and one year for one member. Thereafter, the term of each member shall be three years. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Selectmen in such a manner as to maintain the cycle of appointments, based on the recommendations of the Commission.

BYLAW 22

All Town of Egremont property tax payers have the same right to speak at the Town's Annual Meeting and all other town meetings as those who are registered to vote in the Town of Egremont, subject to the right of the Egremont Town Moderator to maintain order at Town Meetings.

BYLAW 23

STRETCH ENERGY CODE

"Stretch Energy Code" for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereof, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk.

REPORT OF EGREMONT AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

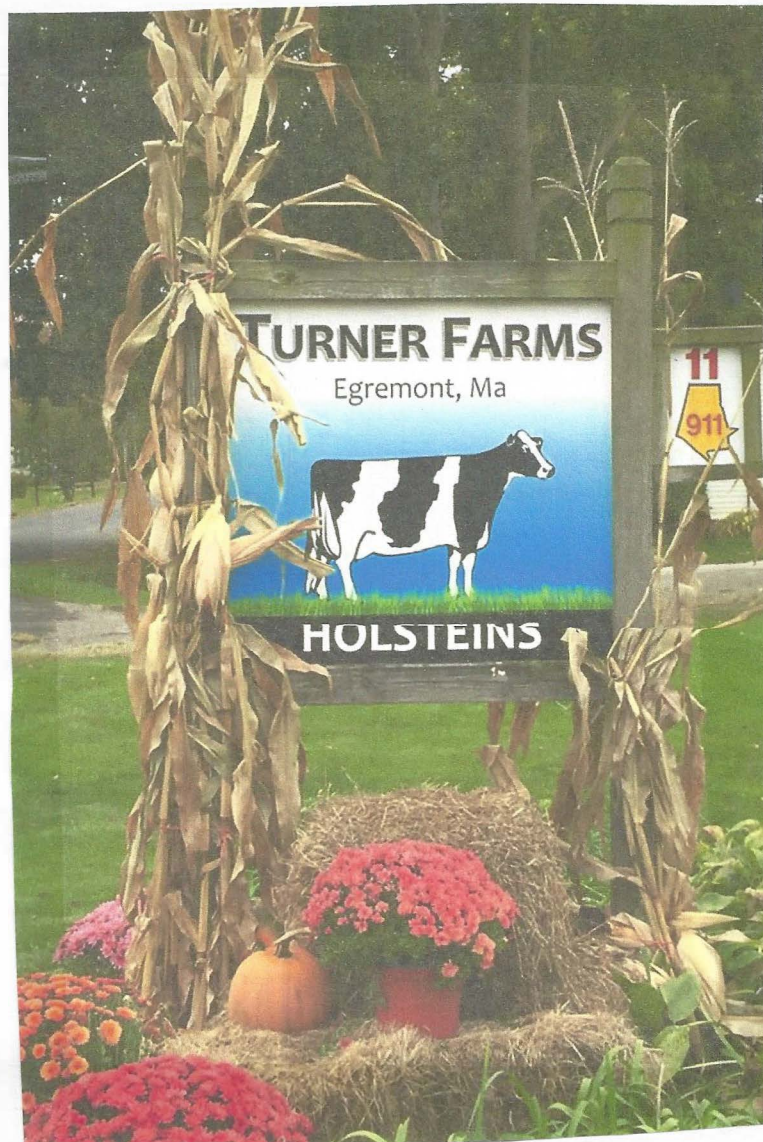
Our secretary, Elizabeth Keen, was away for the most of the year on a sabbatical. Her absence created an issue with getting a quorum. In response, the Egremont Agricultural Commission (EAC) considered reducing the number of meetings from 4 to 3 per year (approved) or to allow one to get a non-farm person to join (not approved).

The group submitted a number of newsletters reflecting current agricultural tips and included news and events that were happening locally. The EAC also continued to raise awareness about agriculture in our town by distributing our EAC brochure in local businesses and French Park, etc.

Members of the EAC attended a number of agricultural events in the state. One notable event was the Bee Pollinator Initiative meeting. Grants are now available to encourage bee keeping in the Commonwealth. As it stands, the initiative means any town in MA could become “pollinator bee friendly.” To do so a town must vote on the initiative in town meeting as a certain level of liability would be assumed. The EAC is investigating the possibility of moving forward with this initiative in Egremont.

Respectfully submitted

Andre Vankov
Elizabeth Keen
Carla Turner
Jennifer Brown
Peter Maggio



Annual Report of the Board of Assessors, Fiscal Year 2016

The Board of Assessors, along with our assessing staff provided under contract by Regional Resource Group, continue to assure the fair taxation of all Egremont properties.

During the past year, we reorganized and updated assessment records. Other efforts included inspecting property after building permits are processed and auditing property files for accuracy and completeness.

Our Board strives to build and maintain good public relations. We provide our residents with:

1. pertinent information by placing notices in the Egremont newsletter covering topics such as property tax abatement information, statutory exemptions for veterans, legally blind and our elderly property owners, and specialty properties including Forest, Agricultural, and Recreational land.
2. abutters lists required for property permits,
3. mailings to those eligible for special tax classification and exemptions,
4. assistance in completing forms for residents who are eligible for exemptions.
5. current property ownership information by processing registered deeds, name and address changes,
6. motor vehicle excise abatements,
7. information on a host of tax and property assessment issues.

As the town's principal revenue generator, the Assessors are constantly on the lookout for properties subject to taxation. We seek to enhance tax revenues by:

1. identifying second homeowners whose household furnishings are subject to taxation; along with businesses that have inventory or fixtures that may be taxable. We have added several parcels to the Personal Property tax records that had previously not been inventoried;
2. making sure that new construction is monitored and assessed, and that property given a certificate of occupancy is taxed at the fully assessed value;
3. reviewing prior years' deeds to verify current property values;
4. monitoring individual assessments to insure that abatements are kept to a minimum, and
5. assuring that all requests for abatements are reasonable and properly processed.

Other office activities included:

1. photographing structures and attaching those photos to computerized assessment records,
2. processing land divisions,
3. reviewing and processing abatement requests,
4. processing personal property forms and chapter land applications,
5. preparing various Department of Revenue reports.

Our GIS mapping system is available online through the Town's website.

Our office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9AM-12Noon. We and our Regional Assessor from RRG are also available by appointment. Residents can contact us by e-mail at assessors@egremont-ma.gov or by phone at 413-528 0182, Extension 14. Current property information can be accessed at our website: www.csc-ma.us/Egremont.

Board of Assessors Statistics:

Town of Egremont Information

Total Parcels	1161
Total Acres	13,060.55
Acres in Agriculture	2,278.87
Owners of Agr. Land	55
# of Agr. Parcels	74
Market value Agr. land	\$38,213,200
Chapter Land Parcels	74
61 (Forest)	17
61A (Agriculture)	55

Office of the Board of Assessors

61B (Recreation)	2
Businesses	61
Single family residences	763
Multiple	20
Vacant	216
Commercial	16
Non-profit organizations*	13

Forms Processed

Abutters lists	9
Auto Excise abatements	85
Building Permits	77
Chapter Land forms	74
New Deeds Processed	70
Personal Property forms	311
Statutory Abatements	
Veterans	12
Seniors	2
Legally Blind	1

Non-Profit Organizations:

Name	Parcels	Acres
Appalachian Trail Conservancy	6	125.17
USA Appalachian Trail	10	195.53
Berkshire Natural Resources	1	50
Berkshire Village	1	10.6
Blue Rider Stable	3	12.15
Churches	1	1.10
Egremont Land Trust	6	77.07
Mt Everett Reservation	1	16
Mt. Everett Cemetery Association	1	2.77
Nature Conservancy	9	143.76
Town of Egremont and Egremont Fire Department	18	541.76
United States of America	6	95.23
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	22	2798.63



REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BUILDINGS
FY 2016

During the fiscal year July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 a total of 108 Permits were issued. The permit fees collected and turned over to the Treasurer were \$52,375.10.

A breakdown by category follows below.

New Dwellings	9
Additions & Alterations	48
Accessory Structures &	
Garages	5
Porch & Decks	4
Repairs	6
Demolition	1
Roofs	16
Sheet Metal	0
Temporary Structure	4
Wood Stove	9
Solar Installation	6

Respectfully Submitted,

Ned Baldwin
Building Commissioner

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

We have maintained, with mowing, trimming, and some monument resets, the three town cemeteries this year. They are Hillside Cemetery, on Hillside Drive, a left off of Route 71, past the North Fire Station; Riverside Cemetery on the right side of Route 71, past North Egremont Center; and Town House Hill Cemetery at the intersection of Phillips Road and Town House Hill Road.

There are still lots available for purchase in the Hillside Cemetery.

We work closely with Richard Atwood, Jr. of A&A Memorials for internments and monument work at our cemeteries. Any questions about our town cemeteries should be directed towards our Chairmen Henry D. Granger, or our clerk, David D. Campbell.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Granger, Chairman
David D. Campbell, Clerk
Herman Trudeau



EGREMONT CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT
July 2015 through June 2016

This past year has been typical: A few NOI's (Notice of Intent), a few RDAs (Request for determination of applicability), numerous site visits and some major "brain drains". Notices of Intent apply when a project is squarely in Wetlands, as defined by the State's Wetlands Protect Act. One of our NOIs was in the Mt. Washington Rd./Karner Brook area. The other dealt with an ongoing project near Catamount.

RDAs (Request for Determination of Applicability) deal with lesser issues where the proposed activity is within certain restricted areas, but usually can be resolved.

We require site visits before any project can begin, during the project and at the project's completion. During the past fiscal year, the ConCom has conducted 30+ such visits.

"Brain Drains" were projects and items that required significant research, review and project followup. We had nine on our list.

All of the above depends on having a high level of expertise. As the Commission's member are all volunteers and most have full-time jobs, we sought an increased budget for this past current fiscal year. We knew we'd need outside professional assistance, as well as the ability to attend educational sessions offered through the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions. We lucked out in the 15/16 fiscal year by having the major projects deferred into the current fiscal year.

And, from October 2015 through to-date (10/16) we have been functioning with only 4 of our 5 state-approved members. A current member has indicated they may retire from the Commission during the coming year. It takes three members to vote on anything. Frankly, the Commission needs new members. Interested? Attend any meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. December hours may vary. Please understand that, although this is an annual report, our need for members is ongoing.

Bill Tynan, Chair
Ben Barrett
Ted Rubsamen
Alina Hsu

REPORT FOR THE EGREMONT COUNCIL ON AGING

We seem to get more active with each passing year. This is possible because our Council has grown to almost its full size, with the addition of Eve Goldberg, our new Secretary, and Peg Muskrat, who brings a lifetime of experience and reports for Egremont News. Georgette Kinney serves as Treasurer and much more, and we benefit from the active participation of Helen Krancer and Chet Delaney. Many of our activities are now co-sponsored with Mt. Washington, with Dianne Salaman as liaison.

Georgette put together a senior exercise program that allows any senior from Egremont, Great Barrington, Sheffield and Mt. Washington to attend programs sponsored by those towns. Programs are Monday to Friday, and continue to include Egremont's programs at the South Egremont Congregational Church and Simon's Rock. Most classes are \$3. We are again offering "A Matter of Balance" through Berkshire Health Systems. We continue to promote senior walking. This past winter we had a "strut and stretch" program on the walking track at Simon's Rock, and a "Walk a Mile" program at our French Park luncheon. In addition we had Third Friday guided walks on the Appalachian Trail, with support from the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

Walking is a necessary activity for seniors, but it has to be done safely. We initiated a pilot program with Police Chief Tyler Race, in which police in cruisers will talk to those wearing dark clothing and not facing the traffic, especially at dusk at dawn. They will gently offer safety suggestions, and offer them available, reflective "Be Seen, Be Safe" vests. These have been funded by Fairview Hospital, and if successful, we'll be looking for more funding elsewhere.

We continued our monthly movie lunches at the Egremont Village Inn. Highlights were "Waking Ned Devine" and "The King's Speech". Other lunch presentations included one on scams by John-Arthur Miller of Elder Services and Chief of Police Brian Shaw, our annual celebration of those turning 90, and a special book reading honoring Beverly Almond. Our Holiday Celebration at the Egremont Village Inn included readings by Henry Strozier and Nick Keene and was a huge success. The annual French Park luncheon included a talk on wild and cultivated edible plants, and is further described below.

Classes were conducted very successfully this summer on the iPhone by Liz Jaffee, and the iPad by Vicki Windman.

We continue to consult with United Way on possible intergenerational programming.

Publications included a guide to walking the Appalachian Trail in Egremont, and a walking guide to French Park. In addition, we created a postcard size yellow card, indicating important "Senior Support/Emergency" numbers, that was mailed to all seniors in Egremont and Mt. Washington and is available in Town Hall.

This card was the result of concerns by our Fire Department about inappropriate overuse of 911 by some members of our community that created stress for the department. We were able to establish a person at Elder Services who would especially be available to Egremont seniors who were experiencing difficulty. To celebrate this new connection, John Lutz, the Director of Elder Services, and John-Arthur Miller, the Options Counselor who will take our calls, both attended our French Park luncheon, walked the Mile course, and talked with us.

Bruce Bernstein
Chair, Egremont COA



ALFORD-EGREMONT CULTURAL COUNCIL

This year, the Alford-Egremont Cultural Council was allotted \$8,800 by the State run and State funded Massachusetts Cultural Council and had a unencumbered balance of \$345 to make a total of \$9,145 to award in local grants. In making grant decisions, the committee followed the carefully structured guidelines of the state program while keeping in mind local needs. Essentially, the committee awarded grants to programs and events that directly benefit the local community, have a strong cultural component, and have a determined venue and date. As always, more requests for funding were received than the budget allowed, and so the committee members had to make difficult decisions as to who received a grant and which programs were funded.

The mix of programming the Alford-Egremont Cultural Council supported was evenly split between events for children and adults. Two local 4-H Clubs, Boots and Bridles and the 4H Money Bunnies, received aid to assist in membership fees and start-up activities. The Cultural Council grants brought hands-on arts and science programs and a sculpture workshop to our local schools. Trips by students to Plimoth Plantation and the Berkshire Botanical Gardens were sponsored. Monument High School received help to put on a Spring Fling featuring Egremont musicians. The Susan Smith Anderson Library launched a Summer Reading program with the Council's help. Local children received scholarships to attend choral and performance groups. Local cultural groups – Berkshire Playwright Lab, the Berkshire Lyrical Theatre, Music in Common and the Bach Society – received grants to introduce the magic of live theater and music to children and for the enjoyment of adults. Adult programming also included support for a variety of activities such as an Edith Wharton Writing Competition, a ukulele band and the Egremont Garden Club Scholarship Tea's speaker. In addition, the Cultural Council helped fund the Berkshire Human Rights Speaker Series, the Massachusetts Audubon Berkshire Sanctuaries' lectures on Lime Kiln Farm and the Kellogg Conservation Center's series on "Astronomy on the Appalachian Trail".

Respectfully,
Hilary Penglase, Chair

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
JULY 1, 2015 through JUNE 30, 2016
Fiscal Year 2015-2016

The primary responsibility of the Finance Committee is to make recommendations to town residents on all financial matters that come before the town, including the budget presented at town meeting.

At the May, 2015 annual town meeting, Egremont voters approved an operating budget of \$2,388,169 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year ("FY16"), an increase of 1.4% over Fiscal Year 15 ("FY15"), and a school operating and capital budget of \$1,670,140, an increase of 20% over the FY15 school budget, for a **total line item budget of \$4,058,309** for FY16, an increase of 7.9% over FY15. However, the Southern Regional School District amended its numbers for FY16 for each of the member towns, resulting in a school operating and capital budget of \$1,454,499 for Egremont, an increase of 4.5% over FY15. Taxes actually raised and appropriated were for the school budget were \$1,483,347, leaving a balance of \$28,848 in the school operating expenses account which will go into the town's free cash. **FY16's total increase over FY15's total budget was 3.4%.**

The voters also approved special articles totaling \$3,986,565.50 with funds coming from the town's Free Cash* except as noted below:

1. \$260,580 for the Water Department budget (comprised of \$190,000 from user fees, \$64,642 from a town taxpayer subsidy (raise and appropriate) and \$5,938 from Water Department retained earnings)
2. \$2,137.50 for prior year bill (raise and appropriate)
3. \$15,000 for deposit into the GASB 45 Special Stabilization fund for retired employees' health costs
4. \$5,000 for Friends of Prospect Lake (raise and appropriate)
5. \$6,350 for Building Permit Software
6. \$14,750 for real estate/personal property software
7. \$36,000 for police cruiser
8. \$58,000 for South Egremont School (overlay surplus)
9. \$118,700 for library (\$100,000 free cash, \$18,700 overlay surplus)
10. \$500,000 Mt. Washington bridge (Chapter 90 funds)
11. \$8,048 (Historical Commission, Proprietors' book)
12. \$4,000 (Historical Commission, MACRS historic list update)
13. \$18,000 Highway Department blacktop spreader
14. \$2,940,000 Borrowing approval for broadband initiative

The total budget including raise and appropriate, borrowing authorization and transfers was \$8,044,874.50.

State mandated adjustments, no borrowings to date, transfers, etc. reduced the total budget to be raised via tax levy to \$3,536,739. This resulted in a tax rate of \$9.19 per \$1,000 of assessed value, an increase in the tax rate of 3.5% over FY15.

Salaries/wages for FY16 totaled \$723,262, a 4.0% overall increase from FY15. This does not include the salaries of police department officers, but does include the salary of the chief and police department administrative assistant. It does not include firefighters' stipends. Health insurance premiums rose approximately 7.2% from FY15, and dental premiums increased slightly. Life Insurance costs remained the same. It should be noted that the town pays 75% of total premiums for our employees; retirees' premiums are split 50-50. Total salaries/wages and benefits for our employees for FY16 were \$952,262 (4.4% over FY15). Pension benefit payments were \$144,945.00 for FY16. Social security, unemployment and longevity payments totaled \$26,750.00.

The Police Department budget, excluding the payment of debt on the police facility, totaled \$344,570, an increase of 2.6% over FY15. Additionally, \$36,000 was voted for a new cruiser. This was the final year of a 3 year Collective Bargaining Agreement and town meeting will be asked to vote on the new 3 year contract in May, 2017.

The Highway Department budget saw an increase of less than 1% over FY15. However, we underspent our snow and ice budget due to the nature of last winter. The town also approved purchasing a new blacktop spreader.

The Water Department's budget of \$260,580 saw an increase of 5.5% over FY15, primarily due to a line item for software to further enable the department to more efficiently and timely monitor water consumption and billing. Town taxpayer subsidy of \$64,642 was over \$2,000 lower than the FY15 subsidy and over \$13,000 lower than FY14 subsidy.

In municipal accounting jargon, *"Free Cash" is the total of funds not expended and revenues in excess of projections as of the end of a fiscal year. A "Stabilization Fund" accumulates amounts for capital and other future spending purposes but it may be appropriated for any lawful purpose by a two-thirds vote at town meeting. Free Cash and Stabilization Funds are types of "available funds" and are frequently appropriated to meet unforeseen expenses or capital expenditures, or for other one-time costs. "Reserve Fund" is a required fund designed to cover smaller unexpected and/or unforeseen costs and is a budgeted line item in the town's annual budget. For FY16, after appropriations and transfers at town meeting the balance in the town's Stabilization Fund was \$449,885, available Free Cash was \$139,826 and the Reserve Fund was \$25,000, totaling \$614,711. That total amounts to 13.3% of the total budget of \$4,604,875 (which does not include borrowing 2,940,000 or \$500,000 for bridge repair.) It is good financial practice to have in total reserves at least 5-7% of a town's annual budget. Some municipalities and bond rating agencies believe a 10% reserve is more prudent.

On the liability side, the town's debt as of June 30, 2016 totaled \$1,167,200. That number is comprised of outstanding debt for (1) Water Department loans of approximately \$565,000, (2) the police facility of \$180,000 (3) the backhoe of \$57,200 and (4) the fire truck of \$180,000. The highway truck loan was paid off in FY15.

While the town's total debt load is manageable, careful planning and consideration should be given to any proposals to take on further debt. To that end, the Board of Selectmen has established a Long Range Financial Planning Committee consisting of members of the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen to consider various scenarios, costs and the best way to plan ahead for the town's financial future.

As always, the Finance Committee strives to recommend a budget the community can support and that is fair to the people who work for us and to the taxpayers.

Respectfully submitted,

The Committee for July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016

Laura Allen, Chairman	Michael Bandzierz, Vice Chairman
Thomas Berkel, Secretary	Ralph Noveck
Edward (Rocky) Scarbro	Eric Swanson

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Report of the Egremont Fire Department

Fiscal 2016

Roster

Chief William Turner

Deputy Chiefs James Olmsted and Joseph Schneider

Captain Jim Golden	Robert Brown
Captain Dave Guidi	David Katzenstein
Lt. Paul Sierau	Tom Sierau
Lt. Jay Keefner	Jeremy Van Deusen
Lt. Roger Meyer	John Wells
Eng. Gregory Peck	Zachary Wright
Eng. Kevin Wheeler	Roger Bailey
Eng. Herman Trudeau Sr.	Ed Rossi
Eng. Lane Farnum	Vincent Murphy
Eng. Emma Hobson	Robert McGraw
Eng. Bruce Turner	

The members of the Egremont Fire Department met weekly for training, maintenance of equipment and organizational meetings. We participated in training made available to us regionally by the Massachusetts Fire Academy. Courses included Flammable Gas Firefighter Training, Rural Water Supply, Small Aircraft Hazards & Procedures, Safety Officer Training, Arson Awareness, Suicide Awareness, and Large Animal Rescue, and in house training in Rope Rescue. Deputy Chief Schneider has also taken classes in Code Enforcement.

As well as the courses listed above, we have been trained in administering of Naloxone and Eppy Pens during our regular Medical training.

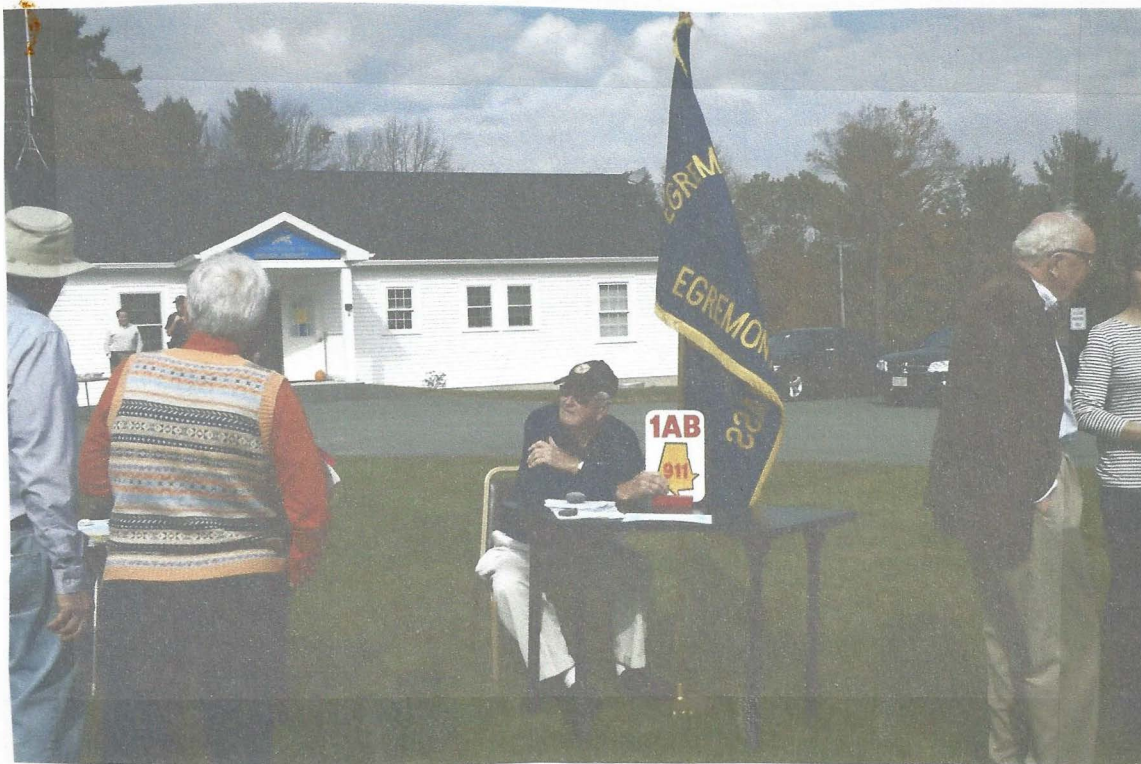
The fire department has, with the Great Barrington Fire Department, jointly purchased training aids allowing us to train in forcible entry and fire extinguishment in repeatable simulated situations. We are expecting delivery of the new SCBA units within weeks of the writing of this report. The updated units will better equip us to work safely in a variety of dangerous conditions. We are very grateful to the voters for their support.

Clearly we have been very busy at EFD. We are always looking for new recruits. We are looking for motivated, disciplined men and women. Firefighting is a challenging opportunity to serve the community. We are proud of the fact that several of our members have gone on to pursue careers in the Fire/EMS field. If you think that you have what it takes to be a firefighter, come on down to the station on any Tuesday evening.

We are still having difficulty responding to houses without adequate 911 signage. If it is not adequately posted, we waste potentially precious time searching for your house and it makes our job much harder. We also recommend that all home owners, particularly those with reporting alarms, purchase a Knox Box. Knox Boxes eliminate the need for forcible entry. Information regarding 911 signage and Knox Boxes can be obtained at the Town Hall.

We thank you again for your continued support and hope that we all have a safe year.

Make safe happen!



FIRE CALLS FISCAL 2016

TYPE OF CALL	JULY - DEC	DEC - JUNE	TOTAL #
MEDICAL	62	44	106
MVC W/ INJURIES	6	6	12
CAR FIRE	2	1	3
CHIMNEY FIRE	0	3	3
STRUCTURE FIRE	1	0	1
OUTDOOR FIRE	1	1	2
WIRE OR POLE	0	0	0
FIRE CALL	0	0	0
WATER CALL	0	0	0
APPLIANCE FIRE	1	0	1
ALARM	12	4	16
FALSE	21	12	33
SEARCH	1	0	1
RESCUE	1	0	1
MISC.	5	3	8
MUTUAL AID	2	4	6
CANCELED	0	1	1
TOTAL	115	79	194

EGREMONT GREEN COMMITTEE

Richard Allen, Susan Bachelder, Emily Eyre, Robin Goldberg, Juliette Haas, Tom Haas, Pat Konecky, and Marj Wexler (rotating chair)

In April, we held our 8th annual Egremont Recycles Day. More than 95 volunteers scoured Egremont's 41 miles of roads to pick up roadside trash. More than 81 bags, totaling more than 744 pounds, were brought to Green Committee members for sorting and recycling. Fun finds: a 1953 twin mattress and a washing machine top! Once again, Heidi Zorn and her 4-H Bunnies redeemed the returnable bottles and cans. That evening, our thank-you pizza party at the North Firehouse was enjoyed by all volunteers who attended. Join us in April 2017 for the 9th annual event!

New this year is a permanent dumpster at the Transfer Station, thanks to a DEP grant procured by Juliette Haas, our Sustainability Coordinator, for the collection and recycling of bulky rigid plastic. A couple of 40-yard loads of BRP have already been diverted from the trash stream!

Ongoing projects include continuing to foster Egremont's relationship with Goodwill Industries. Their truck comes to the Town Hall parking lot once a month to make it easier for residents to recycle household goods, including small appliances and all computer supplies.

Household composting at the Transfer Station continues to be popular as residents who do not compost in their own backyards discover how easy it is to take their kitchen scraps when they take their trash. The result has been that much of this relatively heavy component of trash is diverted from landfills, and residents can take home the final product to enrich their gardens. We are grateful to the Highway Department for their invaluable work in turning the compost piles.

The Green Committee continues to have compostable tableware (plates, cups, utensils) available for residents to purchase for parties. We buy in bulk and sell at our cost. Call or email any of us for more information.

And finally, we enjoy providing the Eco-Tips for Egremont's Town Newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,
Marj Wexler

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Nancy DuVall, Chairman
Charles Ogden
Dr. William Rose

During FY2016, longtime members of the Board of Health Tom Carpenite and Tom Haas resigned. Their many years of service and dedication to the board and town is much appreciated and will not be forgotten.

Charles Ogden and Dr. William Rose stepped in and immediately attended various training and certification programs to understand the many statutory responsibilities local Boards of Health in the Commonwealth have.

The following is a short list of those responsibilities:

- Housing
- Hazardous waste/Solid Waste (aka: trash)
- Septage/Title 5
- Health Care and Disease Control
- Nuisance Complaints
- Food Inspections
- Drinking Water
- Tobacco Regulations

Director Juliette Haas attends to day-to-day business of the office and reports back to the full board at their twice a month meetings. Discussions at those meetings could be anything from updating local regulations, recent title 5 related field work, overview of restaurant inspections, septic upgrade plan review, or future policy direction.

Egremont is a small town and our public health work load often reflects our size. While small, the following is a list and count of permits, inspections and health related topics addressed:

- Issued 26 food permits
- Issued 24 Disposal Works Construction Permits for new or upgraded septic systems
- Witnessed 24 Title5 inspections
- Witnessed 17 perc tests
- Held annual flu clinic
- Monitored state disease surveillance data including West Nile Virus, EEE and Zika reports
- Received over \$19,000 in permit fees

In fy2016 the board discussed at great length updating Egremont's outdated tobacco regulations to address the new concerns of e-cigarettes and vaping. As a statewide effort to raise the minimum age to purchase tobacco products from 18 to 21 did not pass in the legislature, the Egremont Board of Health joined 130 other Boards of Health around the Commonwealth adopting a local regulation to do so.

Egremont continues to employ the services of the Berkshire Public Health Alliance. The Alliance provides our town with highly trained, experienced field inspection and public health nursing services.

Respectfully submitted,
Juliette Haas
Director

REPORT OF THE EGREMONT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The Highway Superintendent for FY 16 resigned just after the closing of the fiscal year and did not leave any substantial information to report on.

As the new, returning Highway Superintendent coming on during the beginning of FY 17, on behalf of the Highway Department, I would like to thank all those who assisted the department and continue to support us including but not limited to, the Select Board, Fire and Police Departments, Town Hall office personnel, and various contractors. Thank you all for your hard work.

Respectfully submitted,
James Noe,
Highway Superintendent



EGREMONT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Historical Commissions are an important part of every municipal government in Mass. With seven members appointed by the Board of Selectmen to whom they offer advice and counsel regarding the historic nature and value of the Town's resources and proper handling of same, the following citizens served on this commission during the year.

Susan Bachelder, Chair; Bill Wood, Vice-Chair; Margaret Cherin, Nicoll Cooper, Gregg Siter, Elliott Snyder, and Rebecca Turner

Section 106 and Chapter 254 require the MHC to review state or federally funded projects. This year under these regulations, the EHC did a preliminary review at the request of the Appalachian Trail Conservancy for plans to expand parking at the property known as Kellogg Farm. We were also engaged in review of the work proposed for the Mt. Everett Academy and the South Village School, both under Historic Preservation Restrictions, and MPPF grants. While under the direction of the MHC, the MHC encourages the participation of its local historical commissions and to that end the Commission was in close contact with Boston and a report on the status of these 3 Historic Preservation Restrictions was made to the Board of Selectmen in June of 2016.

The Commission attended all hearings and several planning board meetings to better assess proposed rezoning involving the Town's two National Register Historic Districts. Our response to the PB is on file, but we could not offer support for the proposal. This Commission has presented for review a demolition delay bylaw that is now with counsel, to be brought forward as soon as practical.

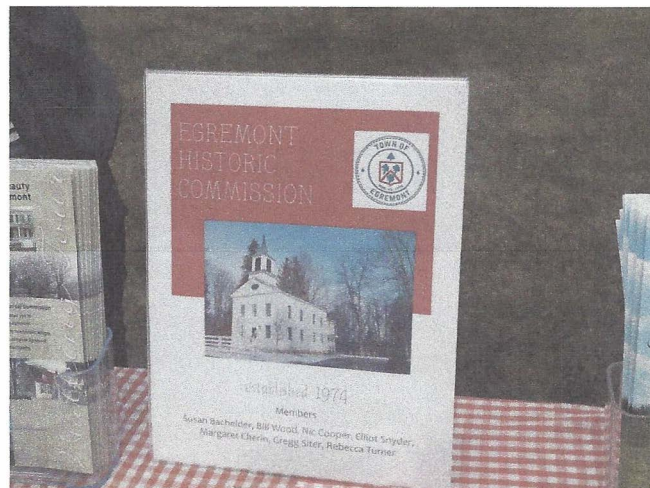
The Commission, in consultation with the Board of Selectmen, is establishing the third week end in August as a time frame for all things Egremont as we move towards the 250th anniversary on August 23rd, 1775 in eight years. We held our second annual birthday bash at the Archives with a full display of our refurbished historic materials and our town historian present to answer questions. Organized walking tours and brochures for both North and South Village are available at Town Hall, the library, and other venues throughout town. We hope that this week end will be further promoted and expanded upon next year.

The commission is also engaged in the BRPC's Healthy streets initiative since a good number of the proposals will engage both our Historic Villages, and on a broader note, healthy aging initiatives to help those who age in place, help their houses age gracefully as well. We have acquired a number of books on historic building upgrades and are encouraging our building trade to see this as an opportunity to develop a growing market, and not as an additional burden.

We wear many hats as we seek to protect this community's historic resources. While not an official part of the HC's Mission, many smaller towns such as ours find themselves also holding genealogical archives. This year we have been gifted with two substantial family files from the Crippins and the

Porters. We have also assisted in placing the working files of one of our residents, Nancy Kuntz, with Historic New England, who now hold over 1 million items reflecting the historic and cultural history of our region. Nancy was one of this country's first woman architects, having graduated in the 1950's, she designed housing for homecoming GI's, and worked on over 70 projects a year until her retirement at age 80. Her inclusion is a tribute to her work and an honor for the town.

And finally the massive project of updating our MACRIS files continues, and we have also begun the cataloguing of the North Egremont Baptist Church materials that were gifted to the Town. Once entered into the database, they will be a rich resource for students of geneology and local history.



EGREMONT FREE LIBRARY

2016

Egremont Free Library continues to offer Egremont residents and visitors a warm, welcoming community-minded place to visit. Patrons and visitors also have access to 24/7 high speed internet. EFL purchased new chairs for those who wish to sit inside and work on their laptops/devices. There are also two library computers available. A cozy “nook” area with a rocking chair and comfortable reading chair are available to those who would like to enjoy some quiet time while visiting.

Lesliann hosted several successful game nights throughout the year. EFL also hosted a few “color me calm” nights. Coloring for adults offered some stress relief! In 2016, EFL added several new puzzles, toys and games for children to enjoy with their family. Comfortable “back jack” chairs are available in the children’s area to sit and read books or play. EFL’s Lego collection is a popular draw for Egremont children and visitors.

Egremont Free Library also has an iPad, which can be used for a variety of purposes. The iPad is available for patrons during library hours. Lesliann regularly helps several patrons download audio and ebooks via C/W MARS digital library and Boston Public Library onto their personal devices. She has helped patrons on several devices including Kindles, Nooks, iPads, iPhones and Kobos.

EFL offers museum passes to several area cultural attractions, which have been widely used by patrons. Passes to Norman Rockwell Museum, Chesterwood, The Clark Museum, Berkshire Museum, Hancock Shaker Village, and Mass MoCA are available seasonally and throughout the year.

Membership to the Central Western Massachusetts Automated Resource Sharing C/W MARS network has brought new patrons to Egremont Free Library. Egremont home owners who frequent other area libraries discovered EFL offers many “in demand” books and DVDs. As a reminder, with membership to C/W MARS, patrons may order items online and have them sent to EFL’s location rather than sending them to Sheffield or Great Barrington. As always, Lesliann is happy to order books for patrons if they would rather order interlibrary loan books at the library rather than online. Also, patrons may now order audio books and e-books on their devices via C/W MARS. Another huge benefit is the ability to return books from other libraries to EFL’s drop box outside the library. For example, if you have items from Mason Library and you would rather not fight the traffic in Great Barrington, you may drop your items in the “drop box” at EFL located at 1 Buttonball Lane in South Egremont. The items are checked in at EFL and delivered to Mason Library.

All are welcome to visit Egremont Free Library during library hours on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 2 to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Francine Groener
Library Trustee Chair
Margaret Muskrat
Keila Sheldon
Lesliann Furcht
Director, Egremont Free Library



(This painting of the Jug End Valley hangs in the Library)

PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

Personnel: Helen Krancer, Chair; Don Pulfer, Vice Chair; Mark Holmes, Clerk; Lucinda Vermeulen, Treasurer; Gregory Cherin, Representative to Berkshire Regional Planning Commission.

Bylaw Work on Proposed Village and Rural Districts: The Board continued to work diligently to create separate zoning districts out of our town's one General District as the basis for new zoning which will reflect the uniqueness and needs of each area of our town. They are the North Village District, South Village District and the Rural District. In addition to reviewing and resetting boundaries for each district, the board developed new Intensity Regulations for the two proposed village districts, but decided not change anything in the Rural District for the time being. The Board discussed and set proposed driveway and common driveway setbacks, and proposed building footprint size limits for commercial buildings in the village and rural districts. In addition, the Board decided to reformat and reorganize the paragraphs of language of the Bylaw's Uses into chart form. All these proposed bylaw changes, along with maps, were presented to Egremont citizens as warrant articles in an information meeting on Saturday, June 11.

Divisions of Land: The Board reviewed and approved nine applications for Form A land divisions.

Special Permits: On September 19, 2015, the Board held a final continued hearing on the Appalachian Trail Conservancy's Special Permit Amendment to build a large parking lot with two bus turn-arounds. The ATC withdrew its application without prejudice saying it would work with citizens to create a new parking plan.

Common Driveway Permit: The Board received two applications for common driveways.

Selectmen's Ad Hoc Committee: The Board participated in the Committee's work to create an Outdoor Recreation bylaw.

Miscellaneous:

The Board applied for, but did not receive, a BRPC DLTA grant for assistance to research and write Corridor Protection Zoning.

The Board consulted with citizens seeking information about the town's zoning bylaw, about land divisions, and about special permits.

The Board sought advice of town counsel when needed.

The Board submitted articles for the town newsletter.

The Board attended Berkshire Regional Planning Commission meetings and educational sessions.

Annual Report of the Egremont Police Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Egremont:

The following is the annual report of activities for the Egremont Police Department for fiscal year 2016.

Nationally it has been a very difficult year for police and we continue to strive for excellent interaction with the community to build public trust in law enforcement. Our mission is “to protect and serve”; my door will always be open to meet with anyone who has concerns, or ideas to improve the connection with our community.

It is my pleasure to report that we have had a safe and rewarding year at the Egremont Police Department. In March, we were fortunate enough to send one of our own, Kyle Kemp, to the full-time police academy. Officer Kemp graduated winning the award of “top shot”. In June, Chief Brian Shaw prepared for retirement; we thank him for his years of service and wish him a happy and healthy retirement.

To start the fiscal year in July, we once again had the opportunity to help the Sheffield Police Department with their annual Kops and Kids camp. Approximately sixty 5th and 6th graders attended the week long camp, which included: high and low ropes courses, team building exercises, and multiple special guests, such as the Massachusetts State Police Air Wing with their helicopter. This is a wonderful annual event and the Egremont Police have been fortunate to be able to contribute for several years.

In September we took delivery of a new police cruiser; we would like to thank everyone who came out in support of the Egremont Police and continue to provide us with the proper equipment to provide the best service possible. The cruiser we replaced has been retired and now is used as a backup cruiser and by multiple town departments in an emergency management capacity. In November we put our new Tasers into service. I’m pleased to report we have not had to use them. We will continue to use the ‘ghost patrol’ and this again will be a fair warning as this cruiser is still used for active traffic and speed control.



New cruiser on Baldwin Hill

All officers attended 40 hours of in-service training, which included: fair and impartial policing, defensive tactics, CPR/first responder, eyewitness identification and legal updates. Some officers attended specialized training, such as: Smith & Wesson M&P15 Armor, Taser instructor, Glock Armor and firearms legal updates.

I would like to thank Officers Hans Carlson, Kyle Kemp, Joseph Pravia, Theodore Crosby, Matthew Sutton, Jennifer Brown, William Minacci, Lucas Perry, Robert Hungate and Michael Rossi for their unwavering dedication to this department and our town. We can all sleep a little better at night knowing we have such a fantastic group of men and women who will be there in a moment's notice if needed.

Please see the attached for the fiscal year 2016 activities for the Egremont Police Department.

Respectfully,

Chief Tyler A. Race



EGREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT JULY 2015 - JUNE 2016

CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS/ INVESTIGATIONS

017- 209A MATTERS	164 - INFORMATION
000- ABUSE	002- LANDLORD/TENANT DISPUTE
024 - ADMINISTRATIVE	002- LARCENY IN A BUILDING
170- ALARMS & FIRE ALARMS	000- LARCENY BY CHECK
003 - ALCOHOL OFFENSE	000- LARCENY OVER \$250
090- ANIMAL	000- LARCENY UNDER \$250
010- ANNOY. & HARASSING PHONE CALLS	010- LOCKOUT
041- ARREST: SUMMONS & CUSTODIAL	010 - MASS CHIEF OF POLICE
000- ARSON	082- MEDICAL EMERGENCY/911
003- ASSAULT	007- MENTAL HEALTH
001- ASSAULT & BATTERY	004- MISSING PERSON
080- ASSIST CITIZEN	081- MVC/REPORTS
180- ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	642- MV STOPS
094- ASSIST OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENT	010- NO TRESPASS ORDER
000- BAD CHECKS	015- NOISE COMPLAINT
001 - BOMB SCACE	063 - OFFENSE REPORTS
063- BOLO (BE ON THE LOOKOUT)	002- OPEN DOOR
008- BREAKING & ENTERING	001- PARKING COMPLAINT
070 - BUILDING CHECKS	1058 - PATROL
037- BUILDING PERMIT	006 - POWER OUTAGE
003- BURGLARY	019- PROPERTY RETURN
042- CALLS RECEIVED/COMPLAINTS	620 - RADAR
092- CONTINUED INVESTIGATION	012- ROAD/TRAFFIC COMPLAINT
028- CJIS/LEAPS	011 - RETURNED CALL
075 - COURT	005 - REFER TO OTHER DEPT.
057 - COMPLAINTS	045 - REPORTS POLICE
055- CRUISER	002 - RX DROP OFF
001- DEATH NOTIFICATION	006- SCAM
004- DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	000- SCHOOL CROSSING
122- DETAILS	023- SERVE SUMMONS
025- DISABLED MV	001- SEXUAL OFFENSE
011- DISTURBANCE	006 - SEXUAL ANNUAL REGISTRATION
009- DOMESTIC	001- SYSTEM TROUBLE
000- DRUG INVESTIGATION	042- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
003- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	017- SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
008 - EVENT INFORMATION	053- TRAFFIC CONTROL
033- EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	008- TRAINING
004- FINGERPRINTS	003 - TRANSPORT PRISONER
023- FIRE	021- TREE DOWN
023- FIREARMS	085- UNATTENDED MV
049- FOLLOW UP/INVESTS	000- UNATTENDED DEATH
019- FOUND PROPERTY	003- UNWANTED PERSON
002 - FRAUD	003 - VANDALISM
006- GUNSHOTS	002- WARRANT
000- HAZMAT	036- WELFARE CHECK
045- HOUSE CHECK/VACANT	006- WIRES DOWN
016- HUNTING COMPLAINT	
001- ILLEGAL DUMPING	
015 - 911 HANG UPS	4852- TOTAL CALLS

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen wish to extend our deepest thanks and appreciation to all the volunteers who serve on town boards and committees. Some are elected and some are appointed, but all serve as volunteers providing services to our town and make it a great place to live in Berkshire County. Thank you also to our Fire and Police who also give their all to Egremont and contribute the safety and well-being of our great community.

Police Chief Brian Shaw announced he was retiring on July 15, 2016 after serving as our Chief for three years. Chief Shaw did a great job in transitioning and leading Egremont's Police Department through a difficult period. We all thank him for his professionalism, dedication, and hard work. A search committee was currently screening applicants for this vital position as the year closed.

Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Nick Ball announced he would be retiring after 27 years of service to Egremont. His last day of work was July 22, 2016. His dedication to the job has been greatly appreciated by all. Nick is the one who has kept our town buildings and grounds, and French Park in such good shape over the years.

Egremont is one of 6 towns chosen by MBI as a first round group to begin the process to bring broadband to our community. Make ready work should begin this summer and service should be available in 24 to 30 months. Please read the Technology Committee article for more details.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission awarded the Town \$50,000 for work needing to be done at the South Egremont School. The town's application was for \$100,000. We are quite thankful for the \$50,000, but this will require us to rethink our plans for the work to be done.

Margaret "Peg" Muskrat retired on March 31, 2016 after 33 years of service as Egremont's Town Clerk. Juliette Haas replaced Peg as our Town Clerk. A huge thank you to Peg for you many years of dedicated service.

Clearly, the town saw a changing of the guard. Some sadly and some riding off into the sunset to enjoy retirement. We encourage all Egremont residents to volunteer to participate in our community and town government. If you are interested, please contact the Town Hall to express your interest and ask questions about volunteering within the town in an appointed office or as an elected board member.

At its February 8 meeting, the Board of Selectmen authorized remote participation as per the Open Meeting Law (OML). Please ensure that you have read the Attorney General's Open Meeting Law Guide

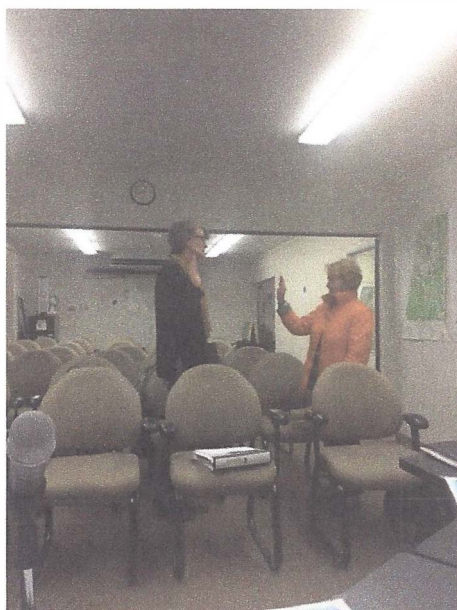
There continues to be issues regarding the School Budget. The Board of Selectmen as well as the Finance Committee closely monitored the process. It is clear the SBRSD School

Committee exercised very poor civic leadership and collaboration throughout this process to the detriment of our School itself, the children whom they were elected to govern as a committee, and the communities whom they serve.

The Engineering plans and approval process through the Commonwealth for the rebuild of the Mt. Washington bridge is finally completed. Bids were solicited during the summer with an anticipated fall construction start date.

The Annual Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:00 PM at the Southern Berkshire Regional School District Campus.

Board of Selectmen
Charles B. Flynn, Chairman
Bruce C. Turner, Vice-Chairman
Mary A. Brazie



(Former Town Clerk Margaret Muskrat
Swearing in new Town Clerk Juliette Haas)

SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR

In January 2016 the town officially became a Green Community. This achievement was years in the making and involved creating an energy use baseline for all town buildings, creating a by-law for a potential solar installation on town property and submitting numerous reports and applications to the state. What the town got out of all this work was a clear plan for energy saving measures as well as a very nice grant award of \$138,570 to implement these energy savings measures in the near future. Hooray for the Town of Egremont for demonstrating their continued resolve to use less energy through conservation and efficiency.

In June of 2016 a new waste diversion program was initiated at the Egremont Transfer Station. Thanks to a \$5500 grant from MassDEP to purchase a 40 yard dumpster, the town now collects materials known as Bulky Rigid Plastics (BRPs). So instead of things like plastic lawn furniture, plant pots, kiddie pools, plastic crates and buckets going into the trash, they are separated and recycled. Egremont continues to be a town which takes its trash reduction and recycling very, very seriously.

The 11 kwh photovoltaic solar array at the Water Department has been up and running since October of 2015. This coupled with a float control switch that turns off the pumps on the water holding tanks when no water is needed has been responsible for the Water Department receiving considerably lower electric bills. This means costs savings to all as well as the comfort in knowing Egremont is doing what we can to lower the town's carbon footprint and work towards reducing the impacts of climate change.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliette Haas



REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR
FISCAL YEAR ENDING
6/30/2016

		7/1/2015				6/30/2016
TAX / YEAR	COMMITMENT	BAL FORWARD	ABATED	PAYMENTS	REFUNDS	BALANCE
REAL ESTATE						
2016	3,468,439.56	-	14,555.00	3,314,839.42	20,200.96	159,246.10
2015	-	137,411.99	-	123,039.67	-	14,372.32
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PERSONAL PROPERTY						
2016	60,527.54	-	0.03	58,778.86	298.36	2,047.01
2015	-	1,871.45	108.03	1,640.50	-	122.92
MOTOR VEHICLE						
2016	199,152.25	-	5,894.22	177,710.07	3,447.46	18,995.42
2015	24,763.71	9,304.40	2,204.16	30,439.44	1,174.89	2,599.40
2014	-	1,936.14	29.68	1,150.52	29.68	785.62
2013		1,975.63	-	806.08	97.86	1,267.41
2009-2012	-	5,165.22	-	311.94	-	4,853.28
Total all taxes	\$3,752,883.06	\$157,664.83	\$22,791.12	\$3,708,716.50	\$25,249.21	\$204,289.48

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Funk
Treasurer-Tax Collector

Town of Egremont
Balance Sheet Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2013
07/01/2015-06/30/2016

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Govern Grant Funds	Capital Project Funds	Revolving Funds	Water Fund	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Fixed Assets	Long Term Debt Group	Totals
ASSETS											
Cash	985,696.71	27,747.35	23,696.63	-43,146.84	28,720.09	57,711.03	627,769.16	354.62	0.00	0.00	1,708,548.75
Receivables	15,088.80	0.00	22,365.14	669,524.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	706,978.86
Property Taxes	175,788.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	175,788.35
Allowance for Abate & Exempt	-50,516.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-50,516.26
Motor Vehicle Excise	28,364.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,364.88
User Charges / Liens	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,940.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,940.66
Amts Prov for Pay of Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	565,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	417,200.00	982,200.00
Other Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,640,966.39	0.00	0.00	22,794,254.00	0.00	28,435,220.39
TOTAL ASSETS	1,154,422.48	27,747.35	46,061.77	626,378.08	28,720.09	6,293,618.08	627,769.16	354.62	22,794,254.00	417,200.00	32,016,525.63
LIABILITIES											
Other Liabilities	417.48	0.00	0.00	669,524.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	669,942.40
Payroll Withholdings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	54.62	0.00	0.00	54.62
Def Rev Prop Tax	125,272.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	125,272.09
Deferred Revenue-Other	15,088.80	0.00	22,365.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,453.94
Def Rev MV Excise	28,364.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,364.88
Def Rev User Charges / Liens	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,940.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,940.66
Bonds Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	565,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	417,200.00	982,200.00
Accumulated Depreciation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	925,373.00	0.00	0.00	14,757,117.00	0.00	15,682,490.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	169,143.25	0.00	22,365.14	669,524.92	0.00	1,520,313.66	0.00	54.62	14,757,117.00	417,200.00	17,555,718.59
FUND BALANCES											
Reserved for Encumb	201,834.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	201,834.06
Reserved for Expenditures	387,916.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,317.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	414,233.00
Reserved for Deficits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-672.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-672.23
Designated	0.00	27,747.35	23,696.63	-43,146.84	28,720.09	0.00	627,769.16	300.00	0.00	0.00	665,086.39
Undesignated	395,529.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,066.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	427,595.43
Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,715,593.39	0.00	0.00	8,037,137.00	0.00	12,752,730.39
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	985,279.23	27,747.35	23,696.63	-43,146.84	28,720.09	4,773,304.42	627,769.16	300.00	8,037,137.00	0.00	14,460,807.04
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	1,154,422.48	27,747.35	46,061.77	626,378.08	28,720.09	6,293,618.08	627,769.16	354.62	22,794,254.00	417,200.00	32,016,525.63

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All Departments Revenue Report
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01 - GENERAL FUND								
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp		
014346.000	DOG LICENSES FEES - TOWN PORTION			\$728.00	\$-728.00	100.00 %		
346 - 346 Total				\$728.00	\$-728.00	100.00 %		
014110.114	Personal Property 2014			\$62.97	\$-62.97	100.00 %		
014110.115	Personal Property 2015			\$1,640.50	\$-1,640.50	100.00 %		
014110.116	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2016			\$58,480.44	\$-58,480.44	100.00 %		
014120.114	Real Estate 2014			\$16,241.54	\$-16,241.54	100.00 %		
014120.115	Real Estate 2015			\$123,039.67	\$-123,039.67	100.00 %		
014120.116	REAL ESTATE 2016			\$3,294,790.10	\$-3,294,790.10	100.00 %		
014140.000	Roll Back Taxes			\$1,263.41	\$-1,263.41	100.00 %		
014450.111	MVE 11			\$10.00	\$-10.00	100.00 %		
014450.112	MVE 12			\$301.94	\$-301.94	100.00 %		
014450.113	MVE 2013			\$754.47	\$-754.47	100.00 %		
014450.114	MVE 2014			\$1,140.42	\$-1,140.42	100.00 %		
014450.115	MVE 2015			\$30,062.34	\$-30,062.34	100.00 %		
014450.116	MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2016			\$177,800.07	\$-177,800.07	100.00 %		
014170.000	Pen and Int on Taxes			\$26,877.07	\$-26,877.07	100.00 %		
014180.000	Payments In Lieu of Taxes			\$796.00	\$-796.00	100.00 %		
014160.000	In Advance			\$-526.81	\$526.81	100.00 %		
014329.000	Miscellanoues Fees			\$1,798.90	\$-1,798.90	100.00 %		
014230.000	Copies			\$23.20	\$-23.20	100.00 %		
014421.000	Miscellaneous Pennits			\$100.00	\$-100.00	100.00 %		
014427.000	RMV From the State			\$11,122.50	\$-11,122.50	100.00 %		
014661.000	Lottery Aid			\$59,290.00	\$-59,290.00	100.00 %		
014663.000	State Owned Land			\$135,582.00	\$-135,582.00	100.00 %		
014664.000	Vets Blind Surv Spouse Exempts			\$1,004.00	\$-1,004.00	100.00 %		
014772.000	Fines - RMV Surcharge			\$1,847.50	\$-1,847.50	100.00 %		
014440.000	Interest			\$3,964.79	\$-3,964.79	100.00 %		
014100.000	Miscellaneous Revenue			\$3,777.75	\$-3,777.75	100.00 %		
100 - General Government Total				\$3,951,244.77	\$-3,951,244.77	100.00 %		
014441.100	Liquor License			\$4,250.00	\$-4,250.00	100.00 %		

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01 - GENERAL FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
014315.000	Other Licenses			\$510.00	\$-510.00	100.00 %
014440.100	Lodging License			\$25.00	\$-25.00	100.00 %
014422.000	Tag Sale Permits			\$215.00	\$-215.00	100.00 %
122 - Selectmen Total				\$5,000.00	\$-5,000.00	100.00 %
014324.000	Assessor's Fees			\$65.00	\$-65.00	100.00 %
141 - Assessors Total				\$65.00	\$-65.00	100.00 %
014321.000	Demand Fees			\$3,385.00	\$-3,385.00	100.00 %
145 - Treasurer/Collector Total				\$3,385.00	\$-3,385.00	100.00 %
014327.000	Tax Collector Fees			\$1,475.00	\$-1,475.00	100.00 %
146 - Collector Total				\$1,475.00	\$-1,475.00	100.00 %
014365.000	Planning Board Fees			\$450.00	\$-450.00	100.00 %
175 - Planning Board Total				\$450.00	\$-450.00	100.00 %
014210.000	Admin Fee Police			\$461.40	\$-461.40	100.00 %
014210.001	POLICE FEES - MISC.			\$15.00	\$-15.00	100.00 %
014210.200	Town Share of Fire Arms			\$50.00	\$-50.00	100.00 %
014771.000	Fines - District Court			\$437.50	\$-437.50	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total				\$963.90	\$-963.90	100.00 %
014220.000	Fire Services Mt. Washington			\$12,894.00	\$-12,894.00	100.00 %
014350.000	Fire Department Fees			\$40.00	\$-40.00	100.00 %
014425.000	Alarm Permits			\$3,225.00	\$-3,225.00	100.00 %
014773.000	Alarm Fines			\$1,200.00	\$-1,200.00	100.00 %
220 - Fire Department Total				\$17,359.00	\$-17,359.00	100.00 %
014780.000	Inspections			\$800.00	\$-800.00	100.00 %
014241.000	Building Permits			\$52,375.10	\$-52,375.10	100.00 %
241 - Building Inspector Total				\$53,175.10	\$-53,175.10	100.00 %
014241.001	TOWN SHARE OF INSPECTORS FEES			\$210.00	\$-210.00	100.00 %
249 - Insnectors Total				\$210.00	\$-210.00	100.00 %

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01 - GENERAL FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
014200.328	Disposal Charges			\$4,272.00	\$-4,272.00	100.00 %
433 - Compactor Total				\$4,272.00	\$-4,272.00	100.00 %
014200.510	Permits- Board of Health			\$17,917.50	\$-17,917.50	100.00 %
511 - Board of Health Total				\$17,917.50	\$-17,917.50	100.00 %
014660.000	Veterans' Benefits			\$4,071.00	\$-4,071.00	100.00 %
543 - Veterans Total				\$4,071.00	\$-4,071.00	100.00 %
01 - GENERAL FUND Total				\$4,060,316.27	\$-4,060,316.27	100.00 %

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13 - CHAPTER 90						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
1344231.000	FY15 WRAP MONEY			\$14,500.00	\$-14,500.00	100.00 %
422 - Highway Department Total				\$14,500.00	\$-14,500.00	100.00 %
13 - CHAPTER 90 Total				\$14,500.00	\$-14,500.00	100.00 %

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24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
244647.000	MASS IN MOTION GRANT REVENUE			\$10,000.64	\$-10,000.64	100.00 %
100 - General Government Total				\$10,000.64	\$-10,000.64	100.00 %
244163.000	Polling Hours			\$240.00	\$-240.00	100.00 %
163 - Board of Registrars Total				\$240.00	\$-240.00	100.00 %
244291.000	Emergency Management			\$2,182.43	\$-2,182.43	100.00 %
299 - Emergency Management Total				\$2,182.43	\$-2,182.43	100.00 %
244646.000	PAPER COMPACTOR GRANT REVENUE			\$7,500.00	\$-7,500.00	100.00 %
244434.000	Waste Management Recycle			\$221.40	\$-221.40	100.00 %
433 - Compactor Total				\$7,721.40	\$-7,721.40	100.00 %
244437.000	SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS RECOVERY - RE			\$2,100.00	\$-2,100.00	100.00 %
437 - SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS RECOVERY Total				\$2,100.00	\$-2,100.00	100.00 %
244437.001	BOH ONLINE PERMITTING PROGRAM REVEN			\$6,725.00	\$-6,725.00	100.00 %
438 - BOH ONLINE PERMITTING GRANT Total				\$6,725.00	\$-6,725.00	100.00 %
244591.000	Solar Power Grant			\$6,100.00	\$-6,100.00	100.00 %
244400.000	Berk Bank Septic Loans			\$2,600.00	\$-2,600.00	100.00 %
511 - Board of Health Total				\$8,700.00	\$-8,700.00	100.00 %
244644.001	FY16 KEEP MOVING WALKING GRANT - RE			\$175.00	\$-175.00	100.00 %
244007.000	Council on Aging - State			\$4,375.00	\$-4,375.00	100.00 %
541 - Council on Aging Total				\$4,550.00	\$-4,550.00	100.00 %
244003.000	Library - State			\$924.08	\$-924.08	100.00 %
610 - Library Total				\$924.08	\$-924.08	100.00 %
244699.000	Cultural Council Grant			\$8,800.00	\$-8,800.00	100.00 %
635 - Cultural Council Total				\$8,800.00	\$-8,800.00	100.00 %
24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS Total				\$51,943.55	\$-51,943.55	100.00 %

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25 - REVOLVING FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
254200.001	French Park Revolving			\$955.00	\$-955.00	100.00 %
200 - 200 Total				\$955.00	\$-955.00	100.00 %
254171.000	CONSERVATION COMMISSION REVENUE			\$886.37	\$-886.37	100.00 %
171 - Conservation Commission Total				\$886.37	\$-886.37	100.00 %
254176.001	Board of Appeals Fees			\$150.00	\$-150.00	100.00 %
176 - Board of Appeals Total				\$150.00	\$-150.00	100.00 %
254249.000	INSPECTORS REVENUE			\$13,280.00	\$-13,280.00	100.00 %
249 - Inspectors Total				\$13,280.00	\$-13,280.00	100.00 %
254292.000	TOWN CLERK FEES			\$746.50	\$-746.50	100.00 %
292 - Animal Control Total				\$746.50	\$-746.50	100.00 %
2543207.000	Compostable Materials			\$32.80	\$-32.80	100.00 %
254208.000	MRF RECYCLING PROCEEDS - REVENUE			\$3,822.89	\$-3,822.89	100.00 %
254006.000	Sale of Compost Bins			\$40.00	\$-40.00	100.00 %
511 - Board of Health Total				\$3,895.69	\$-3,895.69	100.00 %
25 - REVOLVING FUNDS Total				\$19,913.56	\$-19,913.56	100.00 %

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26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
264541.000	COA DONATION					100.00 %
264543.000	COUNCIL ON AGING DONATION REVENUE			\$1,155.00	\$-1,155.00	100.00 %
541 - Council on Aging Total				\$1,155.00	\$-1,155.00	100.00 %
264684.000	INSURANCE RECOVERY REVENUE <\$20,000			\$5,071.97	\$-5,071.97	100.00 %
264122.840	Holiday Lights Fund			\$396.33	\$-396.33	100.00 %
122 - Selectmen Total				\$5,468.30	\$-5,468.30	100.00 %
264210.000	T & E Donations			\$935.00	\$-935.00	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total				\$935.00	\$-935.00	100.00 %
264011.000	Library			\$1,845.96	\$-1,845.96	100.00 %
610 - Library Total				\$1,845.96	\$-1,845.96	100.00 %
264013.001	HISTORICAL COMMISSION DONATIONS			\$25.00	\$-25.00	100.00 %
691 - Historical Commission Total				\$25.00	\$-25.00	100.00 %
26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS Total				\$9,429.26	\$-9,429.26	100.00 %

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61 - WATER FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
614210.000	Water Usage Charge			\$206,630.68	\$-206,630.68	100.00 %
614211.000	Hook-up Fees and Charges			\$100.00	\$-100.00	100.00 %
451 - Water Department Total				\$206,730.68	\$-206,730.68	100.00 %
61 - WATER FUND Total				\$206,730.68	\$-206,730.68	100.00 %

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82 - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
824277.000	Stabilization Interest			\$2,036.87	\$-2,036.87	100.00 %
824277.001	GASB 45 Interest			\$359.85	\$-359.85	100.00 %
100 - General Government Total				\$2,396.72	\$-2,396.72	100.00 %
824280.000	Conservation Fund Interest			\$22.38	\$-22.38	100.00 %
171 - Conservation Commission Total				\$22.38	\$-22.38	100.00 %
824286.100	Cemetery Perp Care			\$4,800.00	\$-4,800.00	100.00 %
824281.000	Cem Perp Care Interest			\$126.20	\$-126.20	100.00 %
824285.000	Frank Boice Interest			\$20.50	\$-20.50	100.00 %
824287.100	Sale of Lots			\$1,600.00	\$-1,600.00	100.00 %
824287.000	Hillside SOL Interest			\$12.12	\$-12.12	100.00 %
824286.000	Hillside Perp Care Interest			\$44.73	\$-44.73	100.00 %
491 - Cemetery Department Total				\$6,603.55	\$-6,603.55	100.00 %
824283.000	French Park Interest			\$6.99	\$-6.99	100.00 %
655 - French Park Total				\$6.99	\$-6.99	100.00 %
82 - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS Total				\$9,029.64	\$-9,029.64	100.00 %

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88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
884998.947	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD EYE PREMIUMS			\$954.20	\$-954.20	100.00 %
884998.993	Other Withholdings			\$4,694.00	\$-4,694.00	100.00 %
884998.995	Insurance Withholding			\$94,051.31	\$-94,051.31	100.00 %
884998.997	Def Comp Withholding			\$22,311.73	\$-22,311.73	100.00 %
884998.998	Retirement Withholding			\$71,191.58	\$-71,191.58	100.00 %
884998.999	Taxes Withholding			\$144,184.87	\$-144,184.87	100.00 %
998 - WITHHOLDINGS Total				\$337,387.69	\$-337,387.69	100.00 %
88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND Total				\$337,387.69	\$-337,387.69	100.00 %

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89 - AGENCY FUNDS						
Account	Description	Orig Bud	Amended	Actual	Expected	% Exp
894115.000	Deputy Collector Fees			\$2,254.00	\$-2,254.00	100.00 %
145 - Treasurer/Collector Total				\$2,254.00	\$-2,254.00	100.00 %
894210.110	Outside Detail-Labor			\$36,789.53	\$-36,789.53	100.00 %
894210.555	State Fire Arms Revenue			\$1,587.50	\$-1,587.50	100.00 %
210 - Police Department Total				\$38,377.03	\$-38,377.03	100.00 %
894210.001	FIREMEN DETAIL			\$3,320.00	\$-3,320.00	100.00 %
220 - Fire Department Total				\$3,320.00	\$-3,320.00	100.00 %
89 - AGENCY FUNDS Total				\$43,951.03	\$-43,951.03	100.00 %
Grand Total		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,753,201.68	\$-4,753,201.68	100.00 %

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All Departments Expenditure Report
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01 - GENERAL FUND								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
015114.113	Moderator Salary		224.00			224.00		100.00 %
Total Moderator			224.00			224.00		
015122.113	#1 Selectman's Salary		5,390.00	-0.04		5,349.29	40.67	99.24 %
015122.114	#2 Selectman's Salary		4,901.00			3,267.36	1,633.64	66.66 %
015122.115	#3 Selectman's Salary		4,901.00	0.04		4,901.04		100.00 %
015122.116	Administrator Salary		55,999.00			55,999.00		100.00 %
015122.119	Personnel Director		9,738.00			9,738.00		100.00 %
015122.120	Sustainability Coordinator		6,304.00			6,304.00		100.00 %
015122.700	Selectmen Expenses		12,860.00	-164.51		9,144.94	3,550.55	72.03 %
015122.704	G I S		3,600.00			3,600.00		100.00 %
015122.705	Sustainablity Coordinator Expense		500.00			37.06	462.94	7.41 %
015122.706	SOLAR PLANT	2,435.00				2,435.00		100.00 %
015122.701	Chamber of Commerce Membership		250.00			250.00		100.00 %
015122.703	Town Engineer		5,000.00				5,000.00	0.00 %
015122.707	WILKINSON BILL FROM FY15 ATM ARTICL							100.00 %
Total Selectmen		2,435.00	109,443.00	-164.51		101,025.69	10,687.80	
015123.110	Town Hall Office Clerk		22,933.00			22,933.00		100.00 %
Total Town Hall			22,933.00			22,933.00		
015131.700	Finance Committee Expense		500.00			221.33	278.67	44.26 %
Total Finance Committee			500.00			221.33	278.67	
015135.113	Town Accountant Salary		11,000.00			11,000.00		100.00 %
015135.400	Town Accountant Expenses		1,500.00			942.75	557.25	62.85 %
Total Town Accountant			12,500.00			11,942.75	557.25	
015145.115	COMPUTER ADMINISTRATOR SALARY		10,200.00			10,200.00		100.00 %
Total INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES			10,200.00			10,200.00		

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015141.113	# 1 Assessors' Salaries		4,725.00			3,150.00	1,575.00	66.66 %
015141.114	#2 Assessor's Salaries		4,725.00			4,725.00		100.00 %
015141.115	#3 Assessor's Salaries		4,725.00			4,725.00		100.00 %
015141.702	Assessors - Clerical		4,900.00			2,536.59	2,363.41	51.76 %
015141.700	Assessors Expenses	17.50	2,450.00			2,343.87	123.63	94.98 %
015141.902	Assessor's Consulting		29,252.00			29,252.00		100.00 %
Total Assesors		17.50	50,777.00			46,732.46	4,062.04	
015145.113	Treasurer/Collector Salary		50,260.00			50,260.00		100.00 %
015145.116	Treasurer Collector Clerk		3,755.00				3,755.00	0.00 %
015145.400	Treas/Collect Expenses		11,495.00			9,252.41	2,242.59	80.49 %
Total Treasurer/Collector			65,510.00			59,512.41	5,997.59	
015151.700	Legal Fees		12,000.00			12,000.00		100.00 %
015151.702	Legal Expenses		250.00	3,770.19		4,020.19		100.00 %
015151.725	Litigation		5,000.00			5,000.00		100.00 %
Total Legal Department			17,250.00	3,770.19		21,020.19		
015152.200	Drug & Alcohol Tests		360.00			135.00	225.00	37.50 %
Total Drug and Alcohol			360.00			135.00	225.00	
015155.012	High Speed Internet		3,165.00			2,255.40	909.60	71.26 %
015155.700	Computer Expenses		36,412.00	7,423.00		36,375.59	7,459.41	82.98 %
015155.013	Wired West		1,350.00			0.78	1,349.22	0.05 %
015155.014	Email Archives		1,400.00	2,278.51		3,353.11	325.40	91.15 %
Total Office Machines			42,327.00	9,701.51		41,984.88	10,043.63	
015159.700	Audit		7,370.00			7,370.00		100.00 %
Total Audit			7,370.00			7,370.00		
015161.113	Town Clerk Salary		8,378.00	0.04		8,378.04		100.00 %

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015161.700	Town Clerk Expenses		2,900.00	749.96		3,342.92	307.04	91.58 %
015161.702	Egremont News Letter		3,180.00			2,790.12	389.88	87.73 %
Total Town Clerk			14,458.00	750.00		14,511.08	696.92	
015162.113	Election Wages		4,900.00	-750.00		1,266.00	2,884.00	30.50 %
Total Elections and Registration			4,900.00	-750.00		1,266.00	2,884.00	
015163.113	Bd. of Registrar's Salary		50.00				50.00	0.00 %
Total Board of Registrars			50.00				50.00	
015171.700	Conserv Comm Expenses		475.00			442.31	32.69	93.11 %
Total Conservation Commission			475.00			442.31	32.69	
015172.700	Agricultural Commission		400.00				400.00	0.00 %
Total Agricultural Commission			400.00				400.00	
015174.700	Berkshire Regional Plan		884.00	0.25		884.25		100.00 %
Total Regional Planning			884.00	0.25		884.25		
015175.113	Planning Board Wages		400.00	-46.46		60.00	293.54	16.97 %
015175.700	Planning Board Expenses		1,500.00	46.46		1,546.46		100.00 %
Total Planning Board			1,900.00			1,606.46	293.54	
015176.700	Board of Appeals Expenses		100.00			32.35	67.65	32.35 %
Total Board of Appeals			100.00			32.35	67.65	
015190.113	Bylaw Printing		250.00			3.13	246.87	1.25 %
Total Printing			250.00			3.13	246.87	
015192.115	Maint Superintendent		48,175.00			48,175.00		100.00 %
015192.117	Building Maint. Wages		12,121.00			11,019.07	1,101.93	90.90 %
015192.400	Bldg. Maint. Utility Expense		40,575.00			25,948.91	14,626.09	63.95 %

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015192.405	Telephone		8,900.00			8,862.07	37.93	99.57 %
015192.408	Town Cemetery Maintenance		100.00			100.00		100.00 %
015192.700	Building Maint.Gen.Exp.		14,610.00			13,270.94	1,339.06	90.83 %
015192.703	Group Purchasing		600.00			600.00		100.00 %
015210.703	Police Facility Maintenance		6,000.00			4,406.06	1,593.94	73.43 %
Total Town Buildings			131,081.00			112,382.05	18,698.95	
015193.703	ART. 12 ATM 05/05/2015 SOUTH EGREMO		58,000.00			7,942.00	50,058.00	13.69 %
015193.704	ART. 13 ATM 05/05/2015 MT. EVERETT		118,700.00				118,700.00	0.00 %
Total Town Building Projects			176,700.00			7,942.00	168,758.00	
015195.700	Town Report		500.00			410.04	89.96	82.00 %
Total Town Reports			500.00			410.04	89.96	
015930.803	New Computer Software		14,750.00				14,750.00	0.00 %
Total Projects			14,750.00				14,750.00	
015210.113	Police Chief's Salary		71,510.00			71,510.00		100.00 %
015210.114	Police Wages-Secretary		17,510.00	-4,000.00		12,679.20	830.80	93.85 %
015210.119	Collective Bargaining	4,689.25	227,550.00			229,088.95	3,150.30	98.64 %
015210.120	Constable's Salary		545.00			544.92	0.08	99.98 %
015210.700	Police Chief Expenses	6.15	4,000.00			4,006.15		100.00 %
015210.701	Vehicle Expenses		16,000.00	262.52		16,262.52		100.00 %
015210.702	Police Dept.Expenses	0.90	8,000.00	4,000.00		8,279.38	3,721.52	68.98 %
015210.704	POLICE CRUISER		36,000.00	-262.52		35,246.75	490.73	98.62 %
015210.821	Police Station	27,997.88				7,712.45	20,285.43	27.54 %
Total Police Department		32,694.18	381,115.00			385,330.32	28,478.86	
015220.120	Firefighters Stipend		26,500.00			26,500.00		100.00 %
015220.700	Fire Dept Expenses	42.69	47,500.00			45,053.04	2,489.65	94.76 %
015220.702	Forest Fires	990.00	1,000.00			1,880.00	110.00	94.47 %
015220.704	Street Number 911		200.00			55.31	144.69	27.65 %
015220.705	Dispatch Facilities		9,724.00			9,722.69	1.31	99.98 %
015220.706	Draft Hydrants		3,000.00			13.71	2,986.29	0.45 %

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015220.711	Blackboard Connect		2,250.00			2,250.00		100.00 %
015220.714	S. Berkshire Emerg. Planning		500.00			500.00		100.00 %
015220.823	Draft Hydrant Capital		3,000.00				3,000.00	0.00 %
Total Fire Department		1,032.69	93,674.00			85,974.75	8,731.94	
015241.114	Building Inspector Asst		1,500.00			300.00	1,200.00	20.00 %
015241.113	Building Inspector Salary		27,078.00			27,078.00		100.00 %
015241.700	Inspector's Expenses		2,200.00			1,156.69	1,043.31	52.57 %
015241.701	BUILDING PERMIT SOFTWARE		6,350.00			6,350.00		100.00 %
Total Building Inspector			37,128.00			34,884.69	2,243.31	
015292.113	Animal Control Officer		2,492.00			2,492.00		100.00 %
015292.700	Animal Control Expenses		1,000.00			363.28	636.72	36.32 %
Total Animal Control			3,492.00			2,855.28	636.72	
015294.115	Tree Warden Wages		5,899.00	0.08		5,899.08		100.00 %
015294.700	Tree Work	2,000.00	18,500.00	-0.08		20,499.50	0.42	99.99 %
Total Tree Warden		2,000.00	24,399.00			26,398.58	0.42	
015220.117	Emergency Management Wages		2,500.00			2,500.00		100.00 %
015220.707	Emergency Management Expenses	9,272.06	1,617.00			4,042.81	6,846.25	37.12 %
Total Emergency Management		9,272.06	4,117.00			6,542.81	6,846.25	
015300.004	School Crossing Guard		5,584.00	58.00		5,642.00		100.00 %
015300.002	Schools Operating Costs		1,616,667.00	-180,364.00		1,407,455.00	28,848.00	97.99 %
015300.003	School Committee Expenses		1,879.00			1,409.25	469.75	75.00 %
015300.001	Schools-Capital Costs		53,473.00	-6,429.00		47,044.00		100.00 %
Total Schools			1,677,603.00	-186,735.00		1,461,550.25	29,317.75	
015422.111	Highway Foreman		40,515.00			40,515.00		100.00 %
015422.112	Highway Per Member B		37,566.00			37,566.00		100.00 %
015422.113	Highway Per Member C		35,511.00			33,609.02	1,901.98	94.64 %
015422.115	Const & Maint Wages		5,000.00			1,680.31	3,319.69	33.60 %
015422.116	Superintendent Salary		56,294.00			56,294.00		100.00 %

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015422.700	Const & Maintenance		202,500.00	14,149.00		216,278.57	370.43	99.82 %
015422.702	ART. 4 ATM 05/05/2015		2,137.50			2,137.50		100.00 %
015422.705	ART. 17 ATM 05/05/15 BLACKTOP SPREA		18,000.00			18,000.00		100.00 %
015422.827	Surplus Dump Truck	4,800.00				2,600.00	2,200.00	54.16 %
Total Highway Department		4,800.00	397,523.50	14,149.00		408,680.40	7,792.10	
015423.115	Snow & Ice Removal Wages		25,000.00			9,253.79	15,746.21	37.01 %
015423.700	Snow and Ice Removal		70,000.00	-15,000.00		46,907.07	8,092.93	85.28 %
Total Snow and Ice			95,000.00	-15,000.00		56,160.86	23,839.14	
015424.200	Public Lighting		5,200.00	245.84		5,445.84		100.00 %
Total Public Lighting			5,200.00	245.84		5,445.84		
015433.113	Compactor Wages		20,736.00			19,877.07	858.93	95.85 %
015433.114	Compactor Substitute Wage		4,300.00	-245.84		2,280.76	1,773.40	56.25 %
015433.700	Compactor Operation		73,070.00			69,435.54	3,634.46	95.02 %
Total Compactor			98,106.00	-245.84		91,593.37	6,266.79	
015491.700	Cemetery Expenses/Projects		13,000.00	3,851.00		16,851.00		100.00 %
Total Cemetery Department			13,000.00	3,851.00		16,851.00		
015511.115	Board of Health/Agent		4,532.00			4,532.00		100.00 %
015511.116	BOH Director Wages		24,562.00			24,562.00		100.00 %
015511.117	Board of Health Food Inspector		748.00			729.96	18.04	97.58 %
015511.118	Public Health Agent		7,000.00			6,680.00	320.00	95.42 %
015511.700	Board of Health Expenses		5,000.00			4,874.06	125.94	97.48 %
Total Board of Health			41,842.00			41,378.02	463.98	
015519.700	Inspector of Animals		500.00			500.00		100.00 %
Total Animal Inspector			500.00			500.00		
015541.700	Council on Aging Expenses		4,330.00			4,294.13	35.87	99.17 %
Total Council on Aging			4,330.00			4,294.13	35.87	

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015543.700	Veterans' Expenses					5,248.14	-5,248.14	100.00 %	
015543.751	Veteran's Benefits		13,000.00			14,819.66	-1,819.66	113.99 %	
Total Veterans			13,000.00			20,067.80	-7,067.80		
015599.200	Berkshire Mental Health		2,203.00			2,023.00	180.00	91.82 %	
015599.201	Berkshire So. Comm. Center		1,500.00			1,500.00		100.00 %	
015599.202	Children's Health Program		1,000.00			1,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.203	Community Service		1,000.00			1,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.204	Construct, Inc.		1,000.00			1,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.205	Eagle Fund		1,000.00			1,000.00		100.00 %	
015599.206	Egremont Garden Club		200.00			200.00		100.00 %	
015599.207	Elizabeth Freeman Center		500.00			500.00		100.00 %	
015599.208	Fairview Hospital		1,500.00			1,500.00		100.00 %	
015599.209	Hospice of So. Berkshire		750.00			750.00		100.00 %	
015599.210	Public Health Services		4,000.00			1,844.00	2,156.00	46.10 %	
015599.211	So. Berk. Literacy Network		400.00			400.00		100.00 %	
015599.213	So.Berk.Elderly Transp		7,275.00			7,275.00		100.00 %	
015599.215	Railroad St. Youth Project		1,500.00			1,500.00		100.00 %	
015599.217	Housatonic Valley Association		250.00			250.00		100.00 %	
Total Human Services			24,078.00			21,742.00	2,336.00		
015610.113	Librarian's Salary		20,134.00			20,134.00		100.00 %	
015610.114	Library Substitute Wages		1,104.00			567.64	536.36	51.41 %	
015610.700	Library Expenses		13,209.00			12,805.28	403.72	96.94 %	
Total Library			34,447.00			33,506.92	940.08		
015650.113	French Park Wages		11,433.00			10,846.72	586.28	94.87 %	
015650.118	French Park Overtime		5,171.00			3,349.92	1,821.08	64.78 %	
015650.705	French Park Trails		1,250.00			345.00	905.00	27.60 %	
015650.700	French Park Maintenance		6,455.00			5,904.54	550.46	91.47 %	
Total French Park			24,309.00			20,446.18	3,862.82		

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015655.824	Friends of Prospect Lake		5,000.00			5,000.00		100.00 %
Total Prospect Lake			5,000.00			5,000.00		
015691.700	Historical Comm.Expenses		1,800.00			1,024.51	775.49	56.91 %
015697.713	MACRS		4,000.00			3,000.00	1,000.00	75.00 %
015697.714	HISTORIC BOOK RESTORATION (HISTORIC		8,048.00			7,924.00	124.00	98.45 %
Total Historical Commission			13,848.00			11,948.51	1,899.49	
015710.925	Interest on Short Term Debt		1.00				1.00	0.00 %
015710.928	Police Facility Loan		34,200.00			34,200.00		100.00 %
015710.929	FIRE TRUCK LOAN		64,680.00			64,680.00		100.00 %
015710.930	NOTES BACKHOE		29,559.00			29,559.00		100.00 %
Total Debt Service			128,440.00			128,439.00	1.00	
015820.634	STATE ASSMT. MASS BAY TRANS AUTHORI					25.00	-25.00	100.00 %
015820.640	State - Air Pollution					643.00	-643.00	100.00 %
015820.641	State - RMV Surcharge					540.00	-540.00	100.00 %
Total State Assessments						1,208.00	-1,208.00	
015930.700	Bldg Improvements	4,370.00	14,101.00			14,335.68	4,135.32	77.61 %
Total Projects		4,370.00	14,101.00			14,335.68	4,135.32	
015940.700	Reserve Fund		25,000.00	-19,495.69			5,504.31	0.00 %
Total Reserve			25,000.00	-19,495.69			5,504.31	
015945.745	GASB45							100.00 %
015945.740	Insurance/Property&Casual		98,389.00	-68.82		95,452.35	2,867.83	97.08 %
015945.741	Health/Dental		215,000.00			212,277.29	2,722.71	98.73 %
015945.742	Social Security/Medicare		14,000.00	68.82		14,068.82		100.00 %
015945.743	Unemployment		10,000.00	2,563.25		12,563.25		100.00 %
015945.744	Pension		147,695.00	-2,750.00		144,945.00		100.00 %

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015945.747	LONGEVITY PAY		2,750.00			2,550.00	200.00	92.72 %	
Total Insurance and Benefits			487,834.00	-186.75		481,856.71	5,790.54		
015050.114	MVE 2014					19.58	-19.58	100.00 %	
015050.115	MVE REFUNDS LY15					797.79	-797.79	100.00 %	
015050.116	MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE 2016 REFUNDS					3,447.46	-3,447.46	100.00 %	
Total Mve Refund						4,264.83	-4,264.83		
01 Total GENERAL FUND		56,621.43	4,332,928.50	-190,110.00		3,834,037.31	365,402.62		

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13 - CHAPTER 90									
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp	
135422.700	Chapter 90					24,406.18	-24,406.18	100.00 %	
135422.701	COMPLETE STREETS					8,841.24	-8,841.24	100.00 %	
Total Highway Department						33,247.42	-33,247.42		
13 Total CHAPTER 90						33,247.42	-33,247.42		

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24 - GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
245647.000	MASS IN MOTION GRANT EXPENSES					9,499.36	-9,499.36	100.00 %
Total General Government						9,499.36	-9,499.36	
245163.000	Elections - State					2,054.41	-2,054.41	100.00 %
Total Board of Registrars						2,054.41	-2,054.41	
245210.000	Community Policing					28,932.45	-28,932.45	100.00 %
Total Police Department						28,932.45	-28,932.45	
245223.016	FY16 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING		2,460.00				2,460.00	0.00 %
Total Emergency Management							2,460.00	
245437.000	SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS RECOVERY - EX		2,100.00			1,041.14	1,058.86	49.57 %
245437.001	BOH ONLINE PERMITTING GRANT EXPENSE		6,725.00				6,725.00	0.00 %
245437.002	RIDGID PLASTIC CONTAINER GRANT EXPE		5,906.00			5,513.07	392.93	93.34 %
245437.003	GREEN COMMUNITIES GRANT					28,366.60	-28,366.60	100.00 %
245591.000	SOLAR POWER GRANT					3,893.47	-3,893.47	100.00 %
Total Board of Health						38,814.28	-24,083.28	
245100.007	Council on Aging - State					4,469.94	-4,469.94	100.00 %
245644.001	FY16 KEEP MOVING WALKING GRANT - EX		600.00			546.10	53.90	91.01 %
Total Council on Aging						5,016.04	-4,416.04	
245100.012	Cultural Council					7,630.73	-7,630.73	100.00 %
Total Cultural Council						7,630.73	-7,630.73	
245100.003	Library - State					427.94	-427.94	100.00 %
Total Library						427.94	-427.94	
24 Total GOVERNMENTAL GRANTS			17,791.00			92,375.21	-74,584.21	

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25 - REVOLVING FUNDS								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
255171.400	Conservation Comm.					1,267.58	-1,267.58	100.00 %
Total Conservation Commission						1,267.58	-1,267.58	
255176.700	Board of Appeals		150.00	150.00		196.53	103.47	65.51 %
Total Board of Appeals						196.53	103.47	
255208.000	MRF RECYCLING PROCEEDS - EXPENSE							100.00 %
Total Board of Health								
255249.000	Inspectors					12,860.00	-12,860.00	100.00 %
Total Inspectors						12,860.00	-12,860.00	
255292.700	TOWN CLERK FEES					746.50	-746.50	100.00 %
Total Animal Control						746.50	-746.50	
255200.700	French Park Expenses		955.00	955.00		1,656.25	253.75	86.71 %
Total French Park						1,656.25	253.75	
25 Total REVOLVING FUNDS			1,105.00	1,105.00		16,726.86	-14,516.86	

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26 - GIFTS AND DONATIONS								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
265543.000	COUNCIL ON AGING DONATION EXPENSE					187.74	-187.74	100.00 %
Total Council on Aging						187.74	-187.74	
265122.840	Holiday Lights Fund					416.52	-416.52	100.00 %
265684.000	INSURANCE RECOVERY EXPENSES <\$20,00			625.00		625.00		100.00 %
Total Selectmen				625.00		1,041.52	-416.52	
265210.000	POLICE T & E					1,055.80	-1,055.80	100.00 %
Total Police Department						1,055.80	-1,055.80	
265500.011	Library					1,464.50	-1,464.50	100.00 %
Total 500						1,464.50	-1,464.50	
26 Total GIFTS AND DONATIONS				625.00		3,749.56	-3,124.56	

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61 - WATER FUND								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
615451.115	Water Wages		55,000.00			55,672.23	-672.23	101.22 %
615451.200	Utilities		18,850.00	-4,856.22		13,002.21	991.57	92.91 %
615451.201	Audit		3,630.00			3,630.00		100.00 %
615451.400	Office Expenses		1,200.00			1,191.49	8.51	99.29 %
615451.700	Water Expenses		25,000.00	-1,000.00		19,458.85	4,541.15	81.07 %
615451.701	Water Line Repairs		25,000.00	5,000.00		29,955.67	44.33	99.85 %
615451.703	Insurance		14,000.00	856.22		14,856.22		100.00 %
615451.825	Software		9,750.00				9,750.00	0.00 %
615451.900	Debt Service - Princ/Int		108,150.00			108,150.00		100.00 %
Total Water Department			260,580.00			245,916.67	14,663.33	
61 Total WATER FUND			260,580.00			245,916.67	14,663.33	

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88 - WITHHOLDINGS FUND								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
885998.947	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD EYE INSURANC					934.58	-934.58	100.00 %
885999.993	Other Withholdings					4,694.00	-4,694.00	100.00 %
885998.995	Insurance Wltholding					94,003.78	-94,003.78	100.00 %
885999.997	Deferred Comp					22,311.73	-22,311.73	100.00 %
885999.998	Retirement Withholding					71,191.58	-71,191.58	100.00 %
885999.999	Taxes Withholding					144,184.87	-144,184.87	100.00 %
Total WITHHOLDINGS						337,320.54	-337,320.54	
88 Total WITHHOLDINGS FUND						337,320.54	-337,320.54	

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89 - AGENCY FUNDS								
Account	Description	Carry Fwd	Orig Bud	Amended	Encumb	Expend	Unencum Bal	% Exp
895115.000	Deputy Collector Fees					2,254.00	-2,254.00	100.00 %
Total Treasurer/Collector						2,254.00	-2,254.00	
895200.007	Outside Detail					36,789.53	-36,789.53	100.00 %
895200.555	State Fire Arms					1,662.50	-1,662.50	100.00 %
Total Police Department						38,452.03	-38,452.03	
895210.001	FIREMEN DETAIL					3,320.00	-3,320.00	100.00 %
Total Fire Department						3,320.00	-3,320.00	
89 Total AGENCY FUNDS						44,026.03	-44,026.03	
Grand Total		56,621.43	4,612,404.50	-188,380.00	0.00	4,607,399.60	-126,753.67	

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

In March of 2016 long-time Town Clerk Margaret "Peggy" Muskrat stepped down from her position. During her 33 year tenure Peggy issued countless birth certificates, marriage licenses, dog licenses, keep the record of hundreds of Town Meetings, swore in hundreds if not thousands of town officials, certified countless town budgets and officiated more elections than you can imagine. Her knowledge, professionalism and grace through it all generated a sense of trust our community that will live on for many years to come. Thank you Peggy!

Juliette Haas was temporarily appointed by the Board of Selectman in March and elected to the position in May. She quickly realized those were big shoes to fill and there was much to learn. Vital records, including birth and death, are managed through a state software program. Dog licenses have their own software program. And most importantly, elections and voter registration, which is under the Secretary of State's guidance, has another software program to follow.

Egremont vital records including births, deaths, marriage go back to 1847. The renewed interest in genealogy has brought many people into the Town Clerk's office investigating family records. There is a great feeling of satisfaction when a record search successfully finds a great, great, great grandfather.

The calendar year of 2016 could be summed up with the following...elections, Elections, ELECTIONS. There were four in all - two primaries, one local election and of course the Presidential Election in November. In an effort to make voting more assessable, for the first time Early Voting was enacted statewide for the November election. Early Voting is prescribed by the state so there were many trainings to attend to ensure both adherence to state guidelines and smooth elections. Now in addition to Absentee Voting voters have the option of also voting early in prescribed hours at Town Hall.

For the first time in our history, the total number of registered voters went above 1000. We still vote on paper ballots which are fed into a wooden ballot box. Our election officers work long after the polls are closed hand counting those paper ballots, sometimes making for a very, very long day. When you come to vote in Egremont there is a sense of community. Technology may change in the future as we continue to grow, but our friendliness at the polling centers will always remain.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliette Haas



REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

The Town thanks Margaret “Peggy” Muskrat for her 33 years of service as Town Clerk. She was there at every town meeting, signed off on every Special Permit, submitted new by-laws to the Attorney General, registered every birth, death and marriage, certified every election and did it with knowledge, skill and grace.

Births July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

July 2, 2015	Olivia Ann Carpenter, daughter of Jasmine Boucher Carpenter and Kenneth Michael Ortiz
October 21, 2015	Owen Patrick Kelly, son of Danile Jordan Kelly and Jared Kelly
February 12, 2016	James Thomas Sierau, son of Amanda Leigh Dunham and Paul Ferdinand Benjamin Sierau
May 27, 2016	Annabelle Mae Race, daughter of Angela Mae Race and Tyler Alan Race

Marriages July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

September 19, 2015	Elyse Alexa Vautrin and Trent Robert Rivers both of Egremont
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Deaths July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

July 1, 2016	Harriet Rothstein
August 11, 2015	Jean Choquette
August 23, 2015	Norman H. Herber
August 25, 2015	Elizabeth Williams Fenn
November 4, 2015	Roland Brewer Wheeler
November 5, 2015	Barbara Greene
November 12, 2015	Richard Irwin Goodkind
November 17, 2015	Hannah W. Agar
February 7, 2016	Thomas C. Haas
March 1, 2016	Stanley L. Lane
April 2, 2016	Raymond J. Choquette
April 5, 2016	Vivian A. Farnum
May 26, 2016	Florence M. Jones

EGREMONT TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT
for FY 2016

The Egremont Technology Committee was formed by vote of the Select Board in August 2015 for the purpose of determining options, evaluating proposals, and recommending solutions to meet the high speed broadband networking needs of the Town. Original volunteer members of the committee are Egremont residents Charles Flynn (chair), Jeffrey Lazarus, Eric Swanson, Jonathan Taylor, John Wells, and Marj Wexler. Mark Roggen was appointed to the committee in spring 2016.

For several years before formation of the committee, the Town had engaged in significant broadband planning work, primarily through its participation in WiredWest, a consortium of western Massachusetts towns investigating a regional approach. Notable accomplishments in those earlier years were the 2011 establishment of the Egremont Municipal Light plant (organizational structure required by Massachusetts law for a town to operate a municipal broadband network), and the vote at the 2015 annual Town Meeting to authorize \$2,940,000 borrowing for design and construction of a broadband network.

In summer 2015 the Town received two unsolicited proposals from private companies to build and operate private broadband networks in the Town. These proposals were the catalyst for formation of the Technology Committee.

The committee reviewed these proposals and met with the vendors during fall 2015. In the end, the committee recommended that the Town dismiss these proposals. The primary concerns at that time were that private ownership of the physical network infrastructure would bar the Town from borrowing funds to contribute to the cost of the network and would also dilute the Town's ability to control pricing and service levels. There was also a question as to the Town's eligibility for state grants for broadband under Massachusetts Broadband Institute (MBI) rules in effect at the time.

Instead, the committee recommended that the Town pursue an independent approach for broadband network, similar to several other towns such as Alford, Otis, Mt. Washington, and others. Accordingly, the Town decided to issue a Request for Proposals for network design, engineering, consulting, and project management. This was to be followed by an RFP for construction, and then a final RFP for network operation and maintenance.

Through the remainder of winter and early spring 2016 the committee worked to develop the RFP, which was issued in May 2016. During this time, the committee also recommended that the Town end its participation in WiredWest. Also during this period MBI went through a major reorganization in which it got new leadership and revamped its policies and programs to support unserved towns in a more flexible, town-friendly way.

The Town received four proposals in response to the RFP. In July 2016 on recommendation of the Technology Committee, the Select Board (SB) voted to dismiss all RFP bidders and instead engage with MBI for management of the broadband project; MBI will vet and supervise contractors for pole survey, design/engineering, and construction. The Town completed the MBI

“readiness assessment” and “sustainability analysis” showing that Egremont has ample financial and organizational capacity to move forward with the project, and the Town executed pole attachment agreements with National Grid and Verizon.

In August the Town learned that a private company called FiberConnect (FC) has been quietly working to build its own fiber optic broadband network in Egremont although the company had not yet made a final decision to proceed. Their network would cover only the more densely populated areas of Town. At this writing the Town still has no final word on the status of this private network.

In September the Select Board voted to proceed with the MBI pole survey work as previously planned, rather than wait for a decision from FiberConnect, so as not to lose momentum. On recommendation of Town Counsel, the Board also decided to hire a legal adviser with specific telecom/broadband expertise. Pole survey work is underway at this writing.

Charles Flynn
Jeff Lazarus
Eric Swanson
Marj Wexler
John Wells
Jonathan Taylor
Mark Roggen



**REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016**

Trust Funds

Expendable

Conservation	11,182.71	
F. Boice Memorial Interest	248.08	
French Park Trust	3,609.00	
GASB 45 Retirement Fund	55,507.65	
Hillside Cemetery - PC	25,334.61	
Hillside - Sale Lots	6,840.99	
Stabilization fund	<u>453,122.10</u>	
		555,845.14

Unexpendable

F. Boice Memorial Principal	10,000.00	
Perpetual Care Principal	<u>61,924.02</u>	
		71,924.02

General Funds

1,080,529.59

Total all Funds

1,708,298.75

Tax Lien Balance \$0.00

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Funk

Treasurer-Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE EGREMONT WATER DEPARTMENT

The Egremont Water Department had an increase in actual revenue of \$16,000.00 from FY 2015. Advances in our software and billing system has resulted in more accurate reporting and billing. Town Meeting in May saw a reduction in the amount of tax levy subsidy for FY 2017 from \$64,642 to \$23,688. Operating costs have been reduced due to less pumping hours and the solar panels that were installed at the plant.

The Department has been able to reduce finished water outflows approximately 40% due to leak detection, repairs and more precise metering. Leak detection efforts continue across the entire system with the assistance of Massachusetts Rural Water Association.

Preventative maintenance is performed on meters on a regular basis; new transmitters are installed throughout the system as necessary.

Annual copper and lead testing was accomplished; no large deviations were noted. Monthly testing results are also forwarded to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Monthly water bills are generated, printed and mailed directly from the Town Hall. The Water Clerk is available weekdays during normal Town Hall hours to answer questions and provide information about the water system and billing.

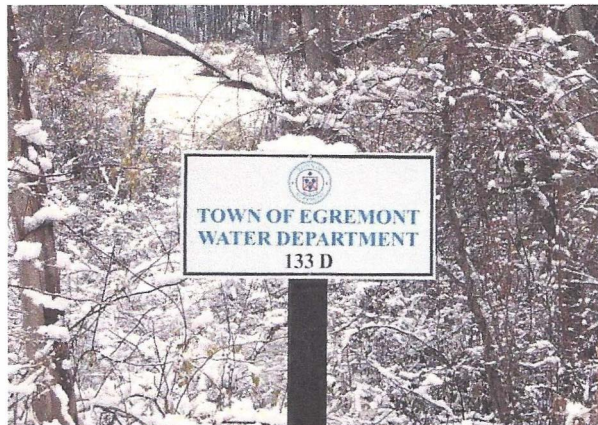
Meetings of the Commissioners are held monthly at Town Hall.

Respectively submitted:

Steve Agar
Poly Lanoue
Ray Palmucci

Egremont Water Commissioners

<i>Year</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Rec'd</i>
14	\$186,000	\$186,000
15	180,000	191,000
16	190,000	207,000
17	200,000	214,000 (<i>projected</i>)





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www.bcacinc.org

January 14, 2016

Town of Egremont
Select Board
P.O. Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258

Dear Town of Egremont Select Board,

Please accept the following request for funding to assist BCAC in serving low income residents in the town of Egremont. The funds were used to assist residents in Egremont with emergency assistance once all other resources have been exhausted. Emergency assistance typically consists of rental payment to avoid eviction, utility payments to avoid utility shut-off, transportation to medical appointments and community food pantry services.

BCAC would like to request \$1,000 in funds from the town of Egremont to serve only residents in Egremont who request emergency assistance. Although we can not predict the demand for emergency assistance, we must prepare for the event should it arise. BCAC provided fuel assistance to 6 households in Egremont and Weatherization services to 3 households in 2015.

Berkshire Community Action Council, Inc. was established in 1966 as a private, non-profit corporation, for the purpose of promoting the well-being of low-income people in Berkshire County, Massachusetts. BCAC provides a number of services that assist low income residents of Berkshire County. These services and programs include but are not limited to fuel assistance, weatherization and utility resources, transportation, emergency assistance, housing and shelter and food pantries. BCAC continues to operate a program targeting at risk youth and an Asset Development Initiative that encourages low income participants to build capital. All these programs are designed to provide emergency assistance, prevention, support and advocacy for low income residents. BCAC is dedicated to the principle of maximum feasibility participation among low-income residents by encouraging their participation in the planning and development of initiatives that focus on reducing poverty and community development. In 2015, BCAC received and responded to over 7610 fuel assistance applicants county-wide.

Thank you,

Maggie Sheehan
CFO/Berkshire Community Action Council, Inc.



Community Health Programs
444 Stockbridge Road
Gt. Barrington, MA 01230

Funds for FY 16 were used to promote the long-term health and development of over 800 youngsters through the maternal-child health services of CHP's Women, Infants, Children (WIC) program. Activities included promotion of healthy pregnancies, infant/toddler nutrition, childhood immunization, access to healthy foods, crisis intervention for families experiencing the loss of income, and assisting families in crisis to access all the community resources they need. CHP's WIC and family programs provide a safety net for families and ensure that the families of Egremont and all the surrounding towns in the South Berkshire area have the support they need to ensure that the youngest of the town's citizens can develop to their fullest potential.

Respectfully Submitted,

Philip B Morrison
CFO

Your Donations to *The Eagle Fund* Make A Difference

Our long-established, strong education enrichment fund allows SBRSD educators and community the opportunity to expand beyond the district's curriculum to offer engaging, exciting and instructive experiences on campus and beyond.

Janet's Fund supports both programs that serve a broad section of the school community and programs that benefit individual students of exceptional promise.

Each year, the Eagle and Janet's funds either partially or fully fund an impressive array of multidisciplinary programs for students from PK-12. In 2015-16, funded programs in science, technology, engineering, math, agriculture, environment, music, art, language, wellness, history and service elevate the dynamic learning environment fostered throughout the district.

Appreciation and respect for the environment are critical in our digital-centric world. Several teachers from kindergarten through high school are ensuring our students are exposed to real-world, outdoor experiences that encourage a life-long interest in the environment.

A year-long bird study and bird garden

at South Egremont School will teach students the significance and importance of birds in our environment through crafts, observation and journaling.

With the help of Janet's and Eagle Fund grants, Mt. Everett high school students will travel to the Galapagos Islands in April 2016. Students will experience one of the most significant ecological and scientifically historic sights in the world. They will follow the footsteps of Charles Darwin and get a first-hand view of where he formed his theory of evolution. Also during April break in 2016, middle school students will travel to Florida to experience the WorldStrides Habitat H2O program. Students will swim with manatees, dissect sharks, collect and identify saltwater species and snorkel in a crystal clear, spring-fed river, among other amazing aquatic explorations.

Students don't have to travel far to experience the great outdoors at the newly constructed Paul O'Brien Outdoor Classroom. A Janet's and Eagle Fund grant helped finance this multi-purpose gathering space for classes that wish to venture outdoors for science experiments, balloon launches, poetry readings, and other

activities.

Greenagers, a local organization that engages teens and young adults in meaningful work in environmental conservation, sustainable farming and natural resource management, received a grant for high school students to apprentice for the Housatonic River Walk where they worked on trail maintenance and led group tours from April through November.

Dale Abrams, environmental scientist and educator with the Flying Cloud Institute (FCI), provided lessons in topography watersheds, trees and soils to UME students and New Marlborough Central students in grades three through six.

Our school district is fortunate to have nationally recognized teachers in music and the arts. Janet's and Eagle Fund grants have supported these areas for many years and have helped a growing number of students travel to and participate in competitions far from home. In April 2015, the music department traveled to Los Angeles, CA where they toured the city, participated in clinics with music professors, recorded music at Disney Studios and performed in an adjudicated music competition.





2015-2016 funded projects

Grantee/Project Name	Recommended
Mt. Everett...Man & His Enviroment Class	\$1,200
Mt. Everett...Galapagos & Equador Trip	\$1,000
Flying Cloud Institute...STEAM Promotes Deep Learning	\$1,500
South Egremont School...Year long bird study and bird garden	\$ 785
Paul O'Brien Outdoor Classroom Project	\$2,500
SBRSD...Crafting the Landscape	\$ 750
Performing Arts and Recreation Camp	\$1,500
Science and Math Beyond the Classroom	\$ 500
NCA Home Camp for Mount Everett Cheerleaders	\$ 500
UME...Clothing Exchange Store	\$ 500
Undermountain & South Egremont Garden Club Tool Purchase	\$ 500
UME...Garden Club	\$ 500
Mount Everett Math Team	\$ 260
NMC School Garden	\$ 750
Mt. Everett...Galapagos Islands Trip	\$3,000
National FFA Convention Trip	\$2,500
Sheffield Historical Society...History Alive!	\$1,150
Senior Citizen Lunch	\$ 900
Mt. Everett...Technology in the Classroom	\$1,000
Mount Everett Life Skills 2015	\$1,200
SBRSD...FIRST Robotics	\$2,000
Mount Everett Fitness Center	\$1,200
Mt. Everett...Habitat H20 Florida Science Trip	\$2,000
Mt. Everett...Washington DC Leadership Conference	\$ 500
Total Granted	\$28,195

financial summary

Beginning Balance 10/1/2014 467,445.31

REVENUES

Contributions: 22,968.34

TOTAL REVENUES: 22,968.34

EXPENSES

Grants dispersed to date (14,097.50)

Miscellaneous Expenses (26.12)

BTCF Fee (6,874.35)

TOTAL EXPENSES (20,997.97)

Earnings/Loss of Investment 2,904.48

Cash Balance 9/30/15 472,320.16

*Note: grant money is awarded once program expense occurs.

A number of grants will be dispersed in December 2015 through May, 2016.



February 12, 2016

Town of Egremont
Office Administrator
171 Egremont Plain Road
P.O. Box 368
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Dear Town of Egremont,

Fairview Hospital is grateful to the people of Egremont for your continuing support for our mission to provide high quality healthcare to our community. In 2015, Fairview Hospital recorded over 1800 patients registered from the town of Egremont, representing a broad range needs including emergency care, diagnostic and preventive testing, plus programs such as cardiac and pulmonary rehab, physical therapy and dialysis. The actual utilization of Fairview by the Egremont community is much greater when we incorporate our second home neighbors, tourists and guests.

In 2015, Fairview had the opportunity to work with the Egremont Fire Department and First Responders to raise the level of care beyond our walls and in your community. Egremont firefighters and first responders will now be able to administer naloxone (also known as "narcan") as well as epi-pens, expanding emergency care outside of a hospital setting in life threatening emergencies. The agreement between the Hospital and a first responder agency (not an ambulance organization) is the first of its kind in the southern Berkshires.

Although ambulance response times are remarkably quick, in life and death situations Egremont fire and hospital officials agreed there was opportunity to shorten the potential time from a 911 call to treatment. The two organizations have signed a formal agreement following an extensive process of preparation including training, obtaining MCSR licensure from the state, installing security lock boxes and developing policies and procedures with Fairview Hospital's Pharmacy Department. Dr. Alec Belman, Chief of Emergency Medicine at Fairview Hospital, will oversee the program.

Dr. Belman says "The agreement and oversight into this program is similar to our oversight with Southern Berkshire Ambulance Service. The first responders with Egremont Fire are all trained in proper use of these medications. We will evaluate the appropriate use each time the medications are administered and provide feedback to the agency to help them develop. The Egremont Fire Department is to be applauded by their community for the efforts of their membership to make this additional service possible. They have been working on this for

months and it has not been easy to jump through all the state regulatory hoops that an endeavor like this requires.”

We applaud the people in Egremont who support the advancement of healthcare in our community.

Our focus on the wellness of our community continues to expand in our outreach programming. We encourage residents of Egremont to learn about the Canyon Ranch Life Enhancement Institute and the Berkshire Partnership for Health which offers programs addressing key health priorities including fall prevention, hypertension, tobacco treatment services and pre-diabetes education. Our Nutrition team has expanded programs in helping our neighbors improve their health through better eating habits, including our Mindful Eating and Operation Better Start for children and families. We hope Egremont residents will take advantage of these opportunities to live a healthier life.

Fairview Hospital continues to receive strong quality and patient satisfaction scores when ranked with hospitals nationwide. In 2015, the awards and recognition received included: “Top Rural Hospital” Distinction from Leapfrog Group; Health Grades Outstanding Patient Experience Award; Health Grades Patient Safety Excellence Award; the American Heart Association “Get With The Guidelines” - Heart Failure Gold Achievement Award; and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 5-star rating.

In 2016, the Fairview Fund, for which the Town Egremont has a long tradition of supporting, will continue to be a significant resource to help Fairview Hospital meet its goal to provide state-of-the-art care to our patients through investment in medical technology. Our priority list for the year ahead includes advances and upgrades in emergency, cardiac and diagnostic services. We hope the Town of Egremont will vote to support a gift of \$1,500 to The Fairview Fund again this year.

On behalf of our Medical Staff and all the patients we serve, thank you for helping us provide higher standards of care each year.

Sincerely,

Anthony Rinaldi, Executive Vice President
Fairview Hospital

November 3rd, 2016

Board of Selectmen
c/o Ms. Mary Brazie, Office Administrator
Town of Egremont
P.O. Box 368
Egremont, MA, 01258-0368

Dear Ms Brazie and Board of Selectmen,

The Town of Egremont has been a consistent and ongoing supporter of the mission of HospiceCare in The Berkshires. On behalf of the agency, I would like to thank you for your very generous donations which enable us to expand our services and provide quality end-of-life care to all residents of Berkshire County. At this time, we would like to reinstate our request of support from the Town of Egremont in the amount of \$750.00.

HospiceCare in The Berkshires has admitted 478 patients as of October 31st, 2016, including three patients on Hospice services and fifteen families receiving hospice bereavement services. Our daily census averaged at 113 people on our services. Through HospiceCare we provide family and patients with emotional support, medical care, bereavement services, and education. It is important to us that all of our patients are cared for and treated with the utmost respect and compassion.

Our agency relies on community support, such as your previous budget contributions, to allow us to fulfill our mission and sustain the level of care our patients, families, and the community expects.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please contact me if there are any questions or a need for additional information.

Sincerely,



Jeanne M. Ryan
Vice President of Hospice Services



Housatonic Valley Association

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Cornwall Bridge, CT 06754
860-672-6678

1383 Pleasant Street
P.O. Box 251
South Lee, MA 01260
413-394-9796

19 Furnace Bank Road
P.O. Box 315
Wassaic, NY 12592
845-789-1381

www.hvatoday.org



February 11, 2016

Mary Brazie
Office Administrator
Town of Egremont
171 Egremont Plain Road
Egremont, MA 01258-0368

Dear Ms. Brazie,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a report to the Town of Egremont highlighting the activities of the Housatonic Valley Association (HVA) in your region and the benefits associated with them.

Per your suggestion, we are enclosing a report describing these programs in some detail and submitting a contract between the Town of Egremont and HVA.

HVA deeply appreciates your past support. We hope that we can continue our partnership for years to come. To that end, we ask that the town agree to support HVA's endeavors in this region with an annual gift of \$250.

Should you need anything else, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Dennis Regan
Berkshire Director

Enc. Report to Egremont
Contract for Egremont contribution



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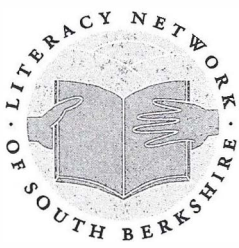
Report on Activities to the Town of Egremont

February 10, 2016

The Housatonic Valley Association (HVA)'s mission is to protect the natural character and environmental health of the entire 2,000-square-mile Housatonic River Watershed, for ourselves and for our children. We partner with municipalities, sister organizations, business and community leaders, along with our members and volunteers, to conserve important conservation lands, and restore and protect waters throughout the watershed including tributaries such as the Green River and Hubbard Brook. Our work includes land and water assessments that prioritize our environmental restoration and protection projects; protecting and developing river access sites and walking and boating trails; creating classroom and field trip education programs for our region's schools; conducting adult education through public talks, publications and outdoor excursions; and community engagement in river cleanups, studies, and issue resolution.

Programs benefitting Egremont residents include:

- **Improving Stream Flow and Fish Habitat** – We have assessed nearly all of the culverts at public road/stream crossings in the watershed in Berkshire County for fish and wildlife migration capacity and stream flow. *This includes all 31 public culverts in Egremont.* This compressive inventory is being used to rank those culverts that need to be replaced, and provided to watershed communities to use as additional guideline when making culvert improvement and/or replacement plans.
- **Adult education: Free Public Paddling Trips** – We offer guided paddle trips on the Housatonic River in the spring, summer and fall for new and seasoned paddlers and families. These outings are promoted on our website, in the local press and through email – and we often have a waiting list. *Residents from Egremont have benefitted by joining us on paddle trips.*
- **Watershed Education for Schools:**
 - Fourth grade: We've designed programs including *What is a Watershed*, *Incredible Journey*, and *Storm Drain Awareness* to engage young students in their natural world, using classroom strategies such as hands-on watershed model demonstrations, as well as outdoor experiences to introduce children to river and watershed dynamics, and the role we all play in maintaining river health.
 - Fifth grade: We've created "teaching bins" for schools that address the fifth grade science curriculum. The bins contain teaching tools including manipulatives, literature and games that illustrate and support watershed lessons. *Our bins have already been used successfully at Under Mountain School.*
- **Stream Team River Assessment on the Green River** – *This project (pending grant funding of \$5,000) will produce an up-to-date assessment of local water quality and provide a hands-on educational opportunity for Egremont residents.* Stream Team volunteers collect and record water quality/shoreline data on the health and use of the river. Their findings guide future river conservation, cleanup and community engagement projects. Their hands-on work also fosters improved community understanding of, and stewardship for, our local waterways.



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February 18, 2016

Ms. Mary Brazie
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Dear Ms. Brazie:

I would like to introduce myself as the new executive director of the Literacy Network of South Berkshire (LitNet). When I began my tenure on February 1, 2016, I was delighted to see your letter inviting LitNet to submit a request for payment of \$400, which the Town of Egremont allocated to our organization in FY2016. You may send the FY2016 contribution to the LitNet office at the above address.

As you may recall, LitNet provides fundamental educational support services to any adults who live or work in southern Berkshire County. In 2015, we served more than 100 students with free, confidential, weekly tutoring sessions hosted at local libraries, community centers, and in other public venues. We also launched a new digital initiative to complement our one-on-one tutoring efforts and give students access to online educational tools and practice exercises anytime, anywhere.

In addition to promoting the academic development of our students, we also encourage them to advance personally and professionally within the local community. For example, in 2015, one student earned her credentials as a certificated nursing assistant (CNA), another passed her driving test, a third became qualified to serve as a home health aide, and a fourth passed her U.S. citizenship exam. We recently were thrilled to learn that a student who had spent 2015 diligently studying for his TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) exam passed the test in January 2016. He intends to continue his study by enrolling in masters-level courses at the University of Massachusetts. These successes reveal how students capitalize on the language skills they practice during regular LitNet tutoring sessions in order to improve their daily lives, advance their careers, and support their families.

The need for literacy support services in the Berkshires continues to grow, and we at LitNet would be unable to continue our work without the contributions of generous organizations like the Town of Egremont. We are grateful for the town's consistent support and respectfully request that you consider including a payment of \$400 to the Literacy Network of South Berkshire in the town's 2017 budget. I have attached a short payment contract, detailing the benefits that would be available to the town in conjunction with this support.

Thank you for helping us to advance adult education in southern Berkshire County. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 413-243-0471 or jhermanski@litnetsb.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer S. Hermanski".

Jennifer S. Hermanski
Executive Director



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July 7, 2016

Town of Egremont
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Thank You!

Dear Mary,

Thank you so much for the Town of Egremont's contribution of \$1,500.00 in support of Railroad Street Youth Project. Your gift makes it possible for us to continue to provide a safe and supportive environment for young people ages 14-25 to thrive and grow. Through RSYP, our constituents explore and develop ideas and projects which enrich their lives, the lives of their peers and our community as a whole.

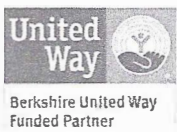
In this past year alone, RSYP served 600-700 youth in South County with programs including the Youth Operational Board, staffed Drop-in Center, Apprenticeships, Mentoring, Jobs & Career services, Counseling, and Sexual-Health Education. Our programs provide opportunities that reach beyond the classroom, allowing participants to gain the experience and skills to think differently about their future and life choices.

Without your support for our mission of youth development and empowerment, none of this would be possible. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ananda Timpane
Ananda Timpane
Executive Director

Your gift to Railroad Street Youth Project, a 501(c)3 organization, is fully deductible for income tax purposes. No goods or services were provided in return for your gift.



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February 19, 2016

Mary Brazie, Office Administrator
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Dear Ms. Brazie,

Railroad Street Youth Project (RSYP) requests \$1,500 in FY2017 funding from the Town of Egremont to support youth development programming that serve the young people of South County, including residents of the Town of Egremont. These critical, interlocked programs include the Drop-in Center, the Youth Operational Board and the Youth Wellness Initiative.

The Drop-in Center is a safe, substance-free space located at 60 Bridge Street in Great Barrington where young people come together, seek support, develop ideas and connect with peers and RSYP staff. As a result of their participation at the Drop-in Center, young people often choose to seek additional support for self-identified needs.

The Youth Operational Board (YOB) nurtures innovative, youth-generated ideas. Made up of a group of 15-20 young people who meet weekly at our Drop-in Center to review youth-inspired projects and proposals submitted by community members and/or youth constituents, YOB has sponsored over 300 activities over the last few years. Under the guidance of RSYP staff, YOB has proven to be an outstanding forum for developing youth leadership skills, and informs RSYP's programmatic decision making.

Through the Youth Wellness Initiative, RSYP provides evidence-based sexual health education to local middle- and high-school students, including those enrolled at Mount Everett Regional School.

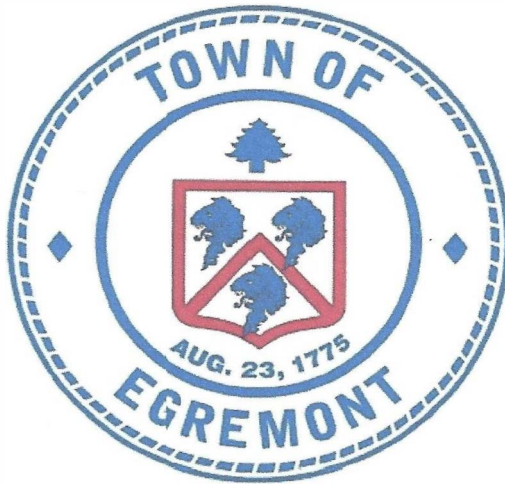
Combined, these programs help youth find their voice and realize the benefits of their commitment to themselves and their community.

Last year, the Drop-in Center saw more than 260 visits from youth, with an average of 31 per week. YOB saw a total of 92 unduplicated youth participating in a youth venture/event, a YOB meeting, or fulfilling court mandated community service hours at RSYP. Of the total youth served, we estimate that almost 3% were residents of the Town of Egremont.

Thank you for your continued support of RSYP.

Sincerely,

Ananda Timpane
Executive Director



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